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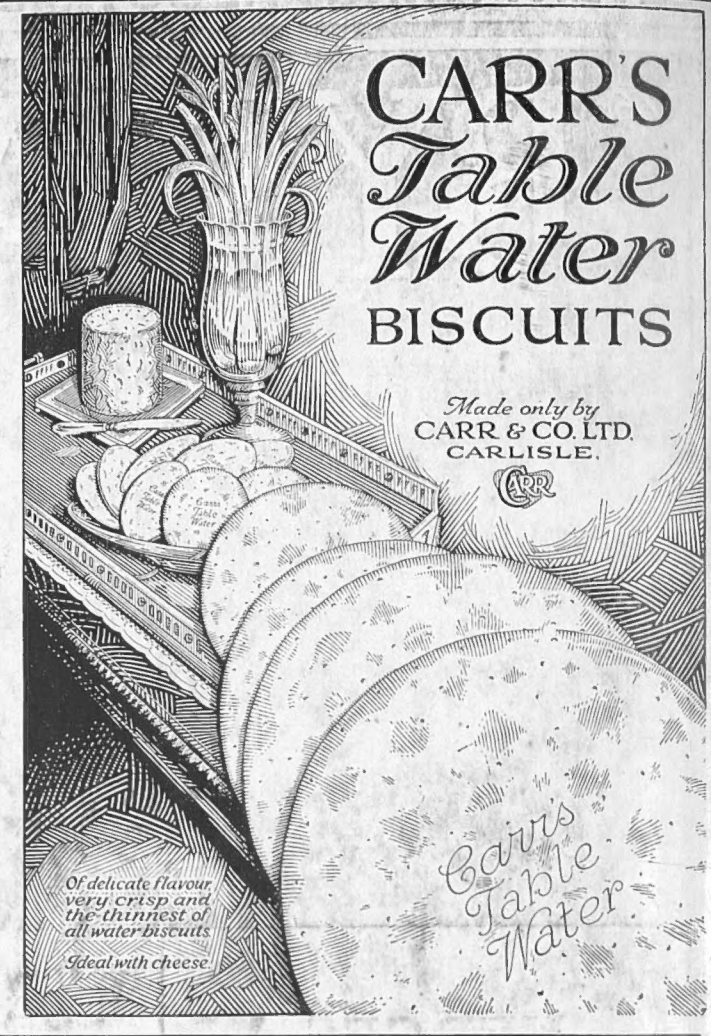

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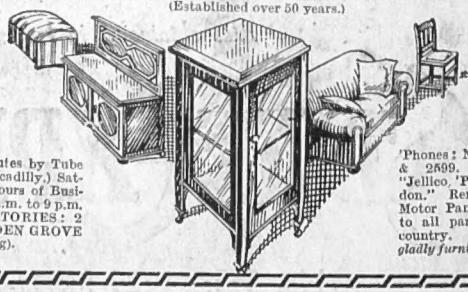

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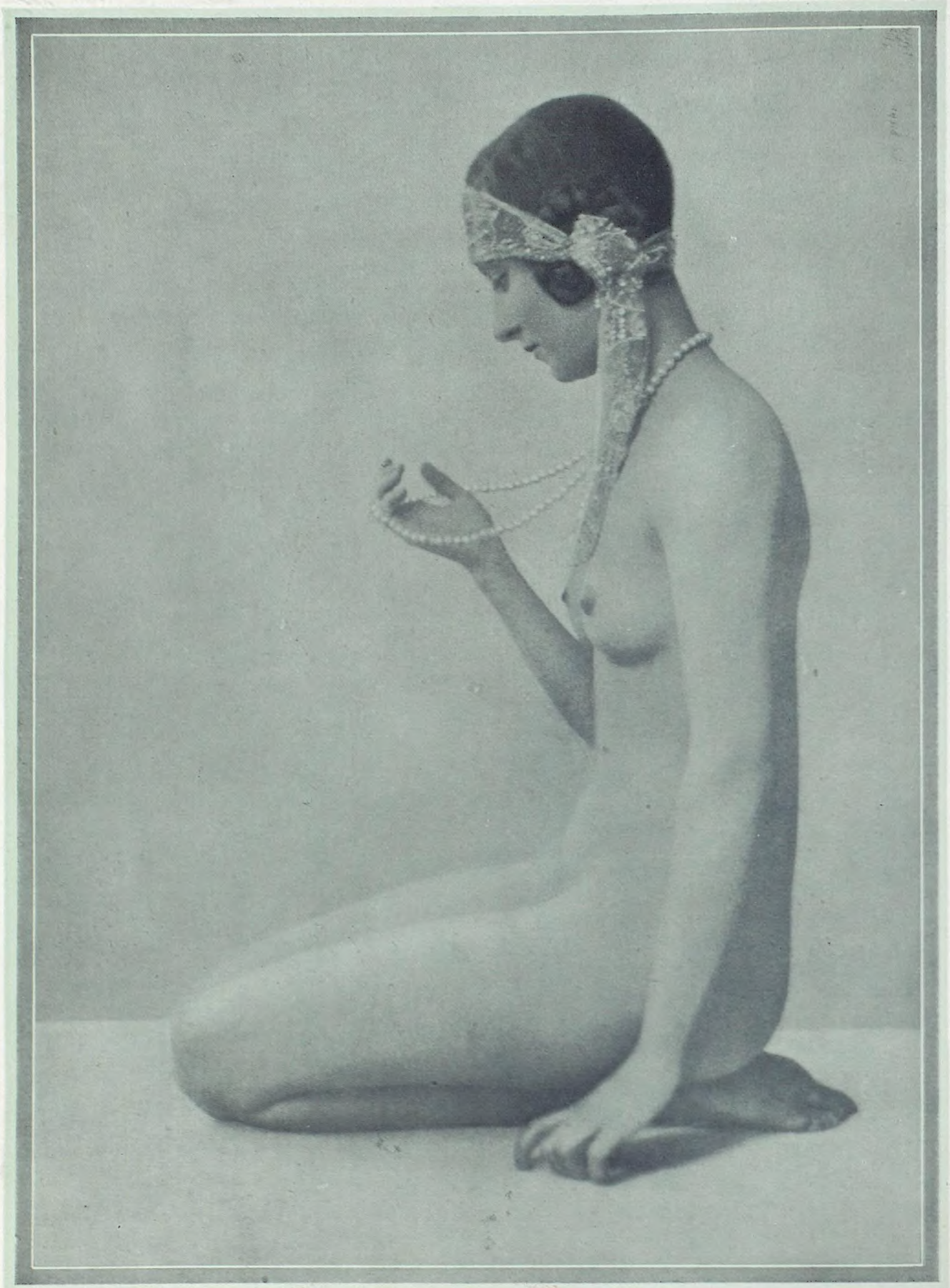
BY CECIL CUTLER

THE PRINCE OF WALES

A new study of His Royal Highness in hunting kit by Cecil Cutler. His Royal Highness has already enjoyed several good runs this season



"DIANA"

A charming example of the art of the camera by Stuart Taylor which was shown in this year's London Salon of Photography

BYSTANDER COMMENTS

Thinking in Millions

THOSE old-fashioned people who marvel at the huge business deals with which they are made acquainted each morning seem to forget that the war taught us to think in millions. Cast your eye over a newspaper printed in the pre-war period, and you will see that there was very little talk of millions in those days. A million, indeed, ranked with golden apples, blue roses, and other fabulous things—it simply didn't exist in the mind of the ordinary man. Certainly, he couldn't have told you how many ooos came after the 1.

Juggling with the 000s

WHAT a change has come over the spirit of the financial scene! To-day it is a case of millions, millions everywhere, and careless people who float a company for less or business magnates who die leaving less are entirely discredited. We have grown to expect our millions, and we won't be happy unless we get them. And one is tempted to ask whence came all these countless millions that have suddenly appeared on the face of the land? Does the million of to-day represent the £100,000 of yesterday? Has some elfish sprite been juggling with the ooos and shall we wake up one fine morning to find that we are not so rich as we imagined? Is it possible that I, after all, am not a millionaire, and that you, dear reader, have only a paltry £100,000 in your current account?

The Dangerous Catch-phrase

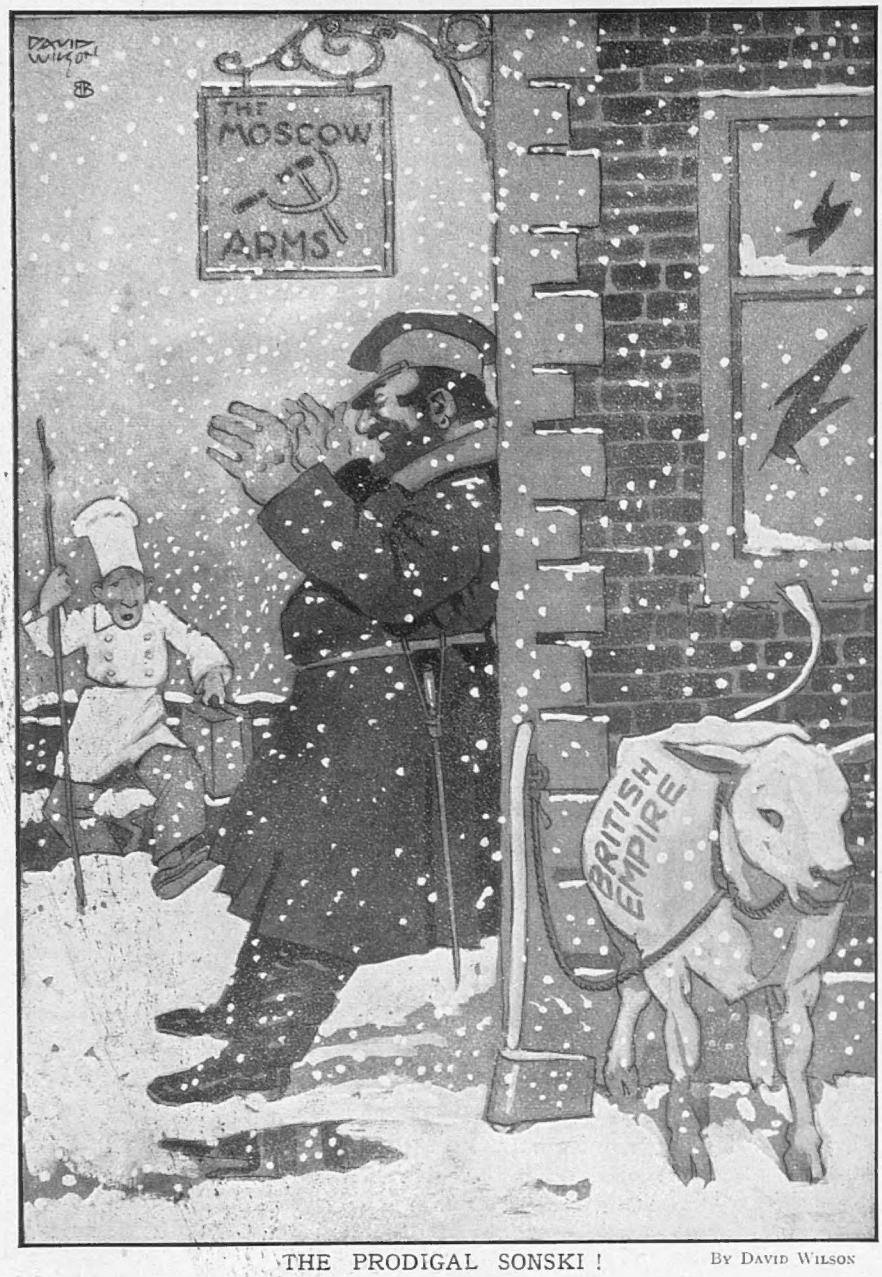
I SUPPOSE that a recent murder trial, in which the principal character was the heir of a millionaire, will revive the old, old *cliché* that a young man with money is a young man marred. I wonder! How more often has the young man without money been the young man marred? Because one man may dine not wisely but too well are we to forget that it is equally possible for another man to die of starvation? Drunkenness is to be deprecated, but thirst is a very unpleasant thing if you happen to be cut off from the sources of supply. Ready-made catch-phrases of this kind are dangerous things, and the more we train ourselves to clothe the thought of the moment in suitable verbal apparel the better for all of us.

Ridiculous Extremes

JUDGES will always bring their big guns to bear upon what is loosely termed "The Unwritten Law," and it will be a bad day for British justice when they do otherwise. But, so long as the final decision rests with twelve "good men and true women," so long will the sanctity of married life loom largely where crimes of passion are concerned. The injured husband is rather a joke on the Continent, where they have a special name for him, and the injured wife is practically immune from the rigours of the law; but in England we have a public conscience which prevents us from adopting either of these ridiculous extremes.

Revised Versions

BERNARD SHAW has been supervising the "make-up" of an actor who will represent him upon the stage. The experiment is an interesting one, and might be carried further. How helpful, for instance, to see caricatures of Joe Beckett or Melbourne Inman which had been altered to meet with the approval of their originals! Would Sir Alfred Mond approve certain of the drawings that have been made of his familiar features, and, if he did not so approve, what alterations would he suggest? Throughout the ages artists have amused them-



THE PRODIGAL SONSKI ! By David Wilson

selves by painting self-portraits, Sir William Orpen being a famous addict to this particular hobby, while studio photographs invariably bear the impress of the sitters' own fastidious taste.

Cuckoos in the Nest

Quite by accident I was a member of the Daly's Theatre audience that witnessed the inauguration of Mr. James White's latest and most characteristic theatrical experiment. There was Mr. Arthur Wood with his usual orchestra, but there also was Mr. Jay Whidden with his Metropole Follies band, looking for all the world like cuckoos in the nest. Sometimes one set of musicians played and sometimes the other, while on certain hectic occasions the entire musical outfit "gave tongue." Personally, I think Mr. White is well on the right track, but the spectacle of two conductors, operating simultaneously, was scarcely convincing, and I am wondering whether the lyrical hedge-sparrow or the syncopating cuckoo will win out in the long run.

Modest Violets

The fashionable buttonholes which fashionable ladies pin to their fashionable furs are getting bigger and bigger. Indeed, I have it on the best authority that "as many as 150 violets go to the making of an ultra-fashionable dome-shaped posy." Well, well! When I was a lad I took a certain young woman a daily bunch of violets and still had change left out of my weekly shilling. About this time there was a poet who wrote "Every Morn I bring thee Violets." Perhaps he did, but not 150 of them, that I will swear! Modest violets, indeed!

Technical Offences

The police have often been advised by the Press to spend a little less time ferreting out technical offences and to concentrate on those wrong-doers who really mean mischief. Perhaps now that Mr. Justice McCardie has joined in the chorus of protest we shall hear a little less of the car that stands by the kerb while its owner gets his hair cut, and a little more of those soft-footed gentry who improve the silent watches of the night. Many of the motoring charges brought before the magistrates are mere futilities, and should be dealt with as a frivolous objection is dealt with on the race-course—over-ruled, with the forfeiture of the deposit.

Well Off the Mark

Not content with being the son of a distinguished father, Mr. Hugh Fletcher Moulton is always looking for fresh worlds to conquer. Having made his mark as a political candidate, he next turned his attention to the more intricate problems of the bridge table, and now he has written a sensational novel. What he will try next I can't say, but I hope his future activities, whatever they may be, will leave him with sufficient leisure to write more novels of the same quality. His first story, "Within the Law," gets off the mark with a quite professional jump, and it finishes just as strongly. As to the middle portion, I leave you to decide for yourselves.

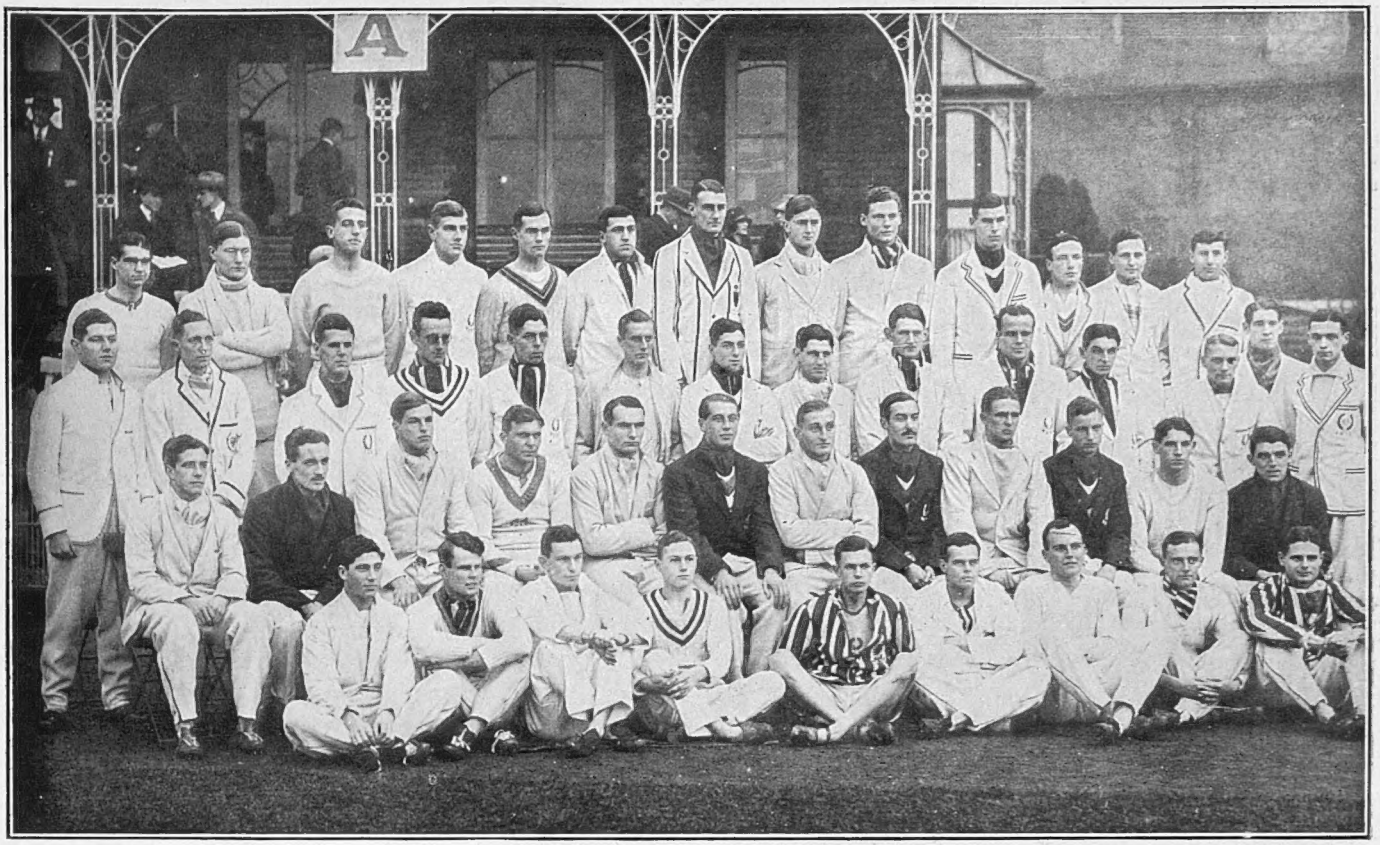
On Playing Truant

I have a theory that no really healthy individual loves work for its own sake. He may be spurred on by ambition or by his wife's desire to possess a bigger motor car than the woman next door. He may even be converted to the belief that the prosperity of the Empire depends on the personal efforts of the individual, or he may love money so much that the getting it becomes a pleasant business. But I shall always have a sneaking regard for the man who admits quite frankly that he doesn't like work. From which you will gather that this agitation to open the Stock Exchange on a Saturday morning leaves me cold.

Sick of Sussex

I have been anticipated! Other pens than mine have already touched humorously upon the activities of those "Men of Sussex" who are anxious to advertise the county of their birth. Holy Hassocks! Was there ever a county of which so much has been said and sung? Would it surprise these Men of Sussex to know that some of us are sick of Sussex? Time was when Mr. Kipling could rouse us to enthusiasm, and when Mr. Belloc could convince us that there was no beer like the beer you bought along those thirsty roads from Washington to Winchelsea. But lesser bards have dimmed the glamour, and Sussex is now as suburban as Sutton or Surbiton.

A Battle of the Blues at Fenner's



THE GROUP OF THE OPPOSING TEAMS *Sport and General*

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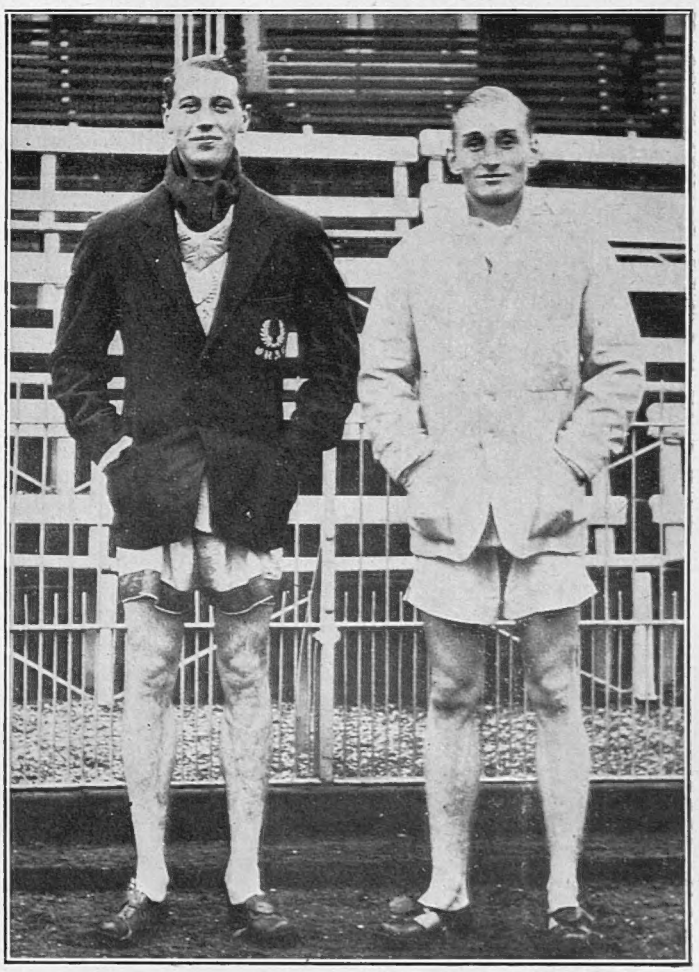
W. H. J. CHRISTIE (CAMBRIDGE) WINNING THE TWO MILES



F. F. Smith

THE RIVAL PRESIDENTS G. C. NEWMAN and LORD BURGHLEY

A page of competitors in the Inter-Varsity relay races, which were recently held at Fenner's, Cambridge. Cambridge won by five events to two

BY NORMAN KEENE

THE WRONG DATE

It pays to read one's invitations carefully—especially when a fancy dress dance is on the *tapis*

THE PILGRIMS' DINNER *Central News*

The Duke of York, the Lord Chancellor, the Prince of Wales and Mr. Bruce photographed at The Pilgrims' Dinner at the Hotel Victoria. This was held in honour of the Duke of York, prior to his visit to Australia and New Zealand

WHO, WHEN & WHERE

BY THE BYSTANDER IN SOCIETY

Those Arterial Roads

HAVE you noticed how many of the things that are supposed to be a present help in time of trouble, just like lies, land you in worse trouble still?

The arterial roads—I always thought the description was unmercifully medical—one of which runs through a considerable portion of Kent on the way to Folkestone and Dover, while the other dashes off at a right angle by Gunnersbury House, the Rothschild property, acquired not long ago by the Corporation of Chiswick and Hammersmith as a public park, and carries you in a wide vastness well on the way to Windsor, are by no manner of means the success they were meant to be.

First of all, even a brief shower of rain turned this surface into an almost perfect replica of the glass staircase which the Prince had to climb without breaking his neck if he wanted to win a lovely Princess, in the fairy story. A quarter of an hour's rain, and the most carefully driven car skidded round and round, trying to do a sort of jazz on a road as slippery as a glazed ham. Luckily, the breadth of the road minimised casualties. But on the Kent road your Bystander once saw three cars going round rather like schoolboys' tops within a short distance of one another. No. 2 had swerved to avoid the spinning of No. 1, and had begun to spin itself. No. 3 had swerved to avoid No. 2, and had joined the dance.

This has been altered. I don't know what the powers that be did to the surface, but they did something, and now, let it rain its hardest, your wheels follow your bonnet in a straight line.

But an arterial road in a fog! A chauffeur who has been in the Navy told me "It's just like being in the middle of the Atlantic without a compass. You don't know where you are."

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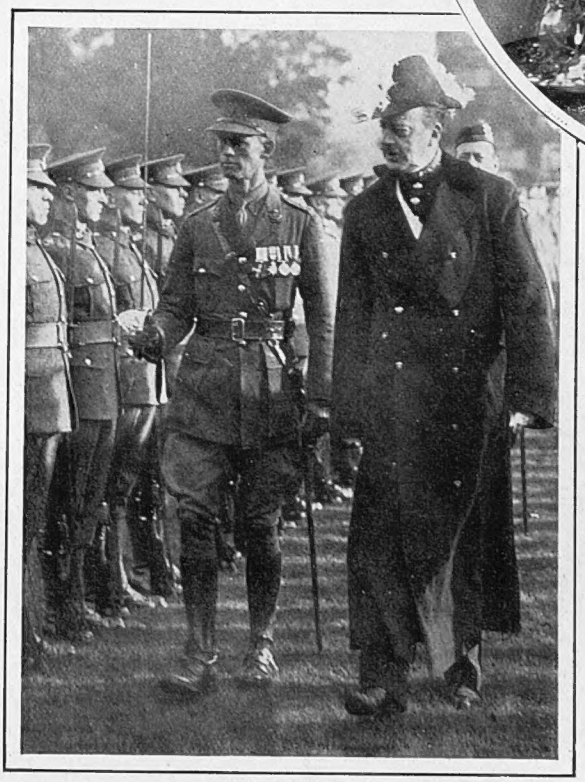
THE DUCHESS AS A "SALESWOMAN"

The Duchess of York selling Christmas presents at her stall at the Christmas Presents Sale at the Royal School of Needlework. On the right is Princess Helena Victoria



IN IRELAND *Central News*

The Duke of Abercorn, the Governor-General of Northern Ireland, at the opening of the Ulster Parliament. The photograph shows him inspecting the Guard of Honour of the Durham Light Infantry

The King in a Fog

THE roads are so wide that when a fog descends the drivers cannot

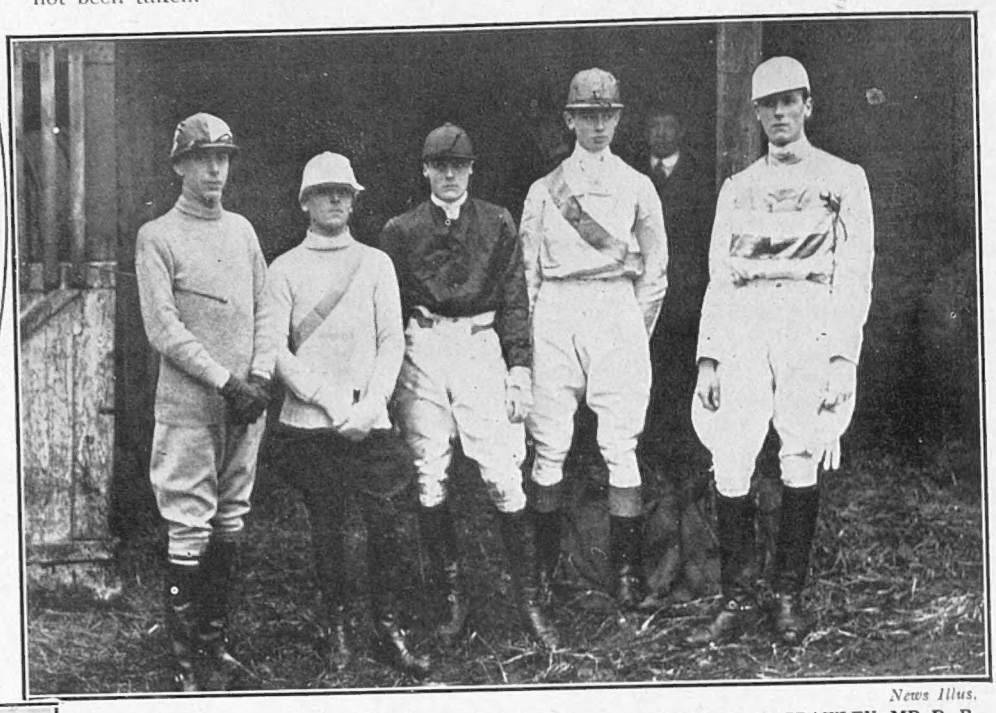
Alfieri

MISS HARDY AND LORD CLAUD HAMILTON

see the kerbstone edges, and consequently have nothing to guide them. I don't know how many of the King's lieges were held up derelict on the Middlesex arterial road, but they suffered in His Majesty's company. Returning by car from his shooting visit to the Hon. Sir John and Lady Ward at Chilton Lodge, near Hungerford, the King ran into a thick fog on nearing London. The roadway is so wide that the chauffeur could see nothing except fog. After crawling along, one-inch-a-minute sort of thing, a policeman directed him to a side road where he could see the hedge on the left-hand side. Even then, I hear, he lost his bearings. However, the King was only twenty minutes late in arriving at Buckingham Palace. It might have been hours if the side road had not been taken.

WITH THE BULLINGDON

Some competitors and spectators at the recent Point-to-Point at Oddington



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MR. D. C. FLOWERDENE-LOWSON (left) MR. J. O. C. HALL, MR. A. M. CRAWLEY, MR. D. B. LENNOX-BOYD and MR. G. D. OLIVE

News Illus.

MISS BARKER and MR. P. DOYLE

Precisely the same experience befell Sir Edward Marshall-Hall when motoring along the Kent arterial road for the "Stella Maris" trial at Maidstone. His chauffeur had to take to a side road where the hedge loomed kindly and guidingly through the fog.

News Illus.

LADY BRIDGET PARSONS and LORD ROSSE

Tragedy and Devotion

I HEARD a profoundly moving story only the other day of the death of the Grand Duchess Serge of Russia, the sister of the Tsarina and the Dowager Marchioness of Milford Haven. After the death of her husband, the Grand Duke Serge, who was blown to pieces by a Nihilist bomb, the Grand Duchess, whose whole life had been devoted to good works, became a nun. Such was her goodness and her help to the poor that they regarded her as a saint.

Then after years of seclusion the revolution broke out, and just because she had been Grand Duchess and was the Tsarina's sister the local Bolshevists were ordered to kill her. They went to the convent to carry out their instructions. But she met them with such quiet, high courage, such saintliness, that they could not raise a hand against her. Besides, being of the neighbourhood, they knew what she had done and what she had sacrificed for the poor.

But superior orders had to be carried out. Since before the Grand Duchess's unflinching courage these local Bolshevists had no courage at all, they sent Chinese mercenaries in the pay of the Soviet Government to the convent. What happened nobody knows, but the Grand Duchess was never seen alive again.

There had been wholesale executions in that place, the bodies being thrown into pits. Disguised as a workman, a priest who had ministered at the convent searched every one of those ghastly pits until he found the body of the Grand Duchess. How he got it away I don't know, but he did, and hid it in a packing-case. Again, I can't tell you how he got that packing-case out of the country into Asia, but he did. Once safe from the Soviet Government, he sent word to England. The Dowager Duchess of Milford Haven went out as soon as it was possible, and took

BETWEEN RACES *Alfieri*

A group of spectators, showing Mr. J. Philipps, Lord Claud Hamilton, the Hon. Imogen Rhys, Miss C. Miller, Lord Herbert, Mr. Neil Rankin, Miss Hurley, Mr. Chetewood, Miss Campbell, Miss M. Scott, the Hon. Barbara Brand, Mr. Shaw Kennedy and the Hon. Francis Pakenham

Sport and General

THE HON. W. ASTOR

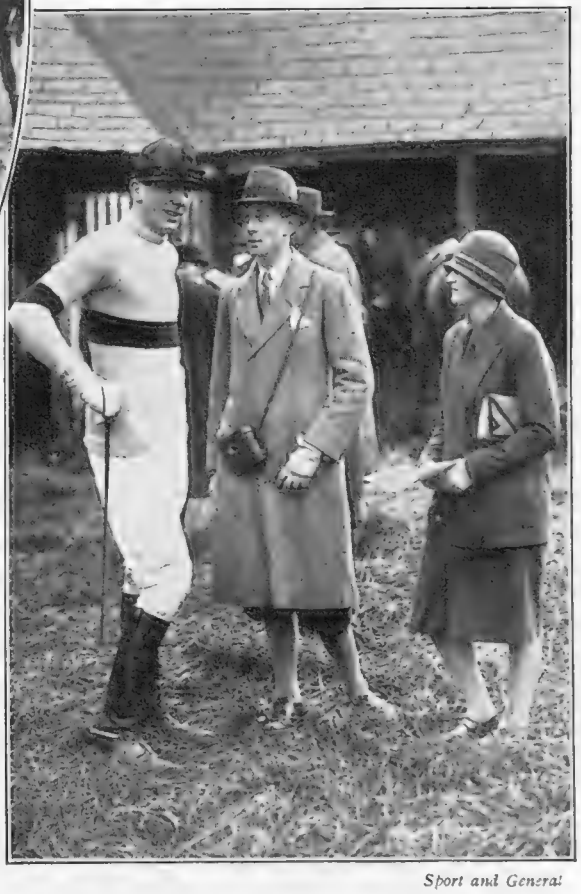
her sister's body to the Holy Land, where it was buried—a fitting resting-place for one of the saints of the earth. But that priest was a hero.

Charity Entertainments

I WONDER if the kind and generously intentioned people who give up so much of their time and energy to organising charitable entertainments are not providing more entertainments than purses depleted by the coal strike, and the consequent shrinking of autumn dividends on all industrial shares, can meet? This question occurs to me because of an unprecedented happening last week.

A ball had been arranged for a most deserving charity, a charity that appeals, too, most particularly to women. Three days before it was to take place an announcement was made that the ball was postponed, the reason being that not sufficient tickets had been sold to meet the expenses. Then a theatrical performance in aid of another charity was likewise abandoned. In this case the organisers made no bones about it. They said nothing about postponement, frankly giving the reason—the tickets for seats were not selling. Since the beginning of November there has scarcely been an afternoon or an evening when there has not been some charity entertainment or charity dance, and it makes people look down their noses as well as their bank-books.

The number of these entertainments is shown by the fact that an acquaintance of mine is on no fewer than sixteen organising committees.



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MR. J. PHILIPPS (left), LORD HERBERT and MISS CHRISTIE MILLER

The Lady of the Garden

LAST week Miss Gertrude Jekyll, of whom it is no exaggeration to say that she has created more beauty than any other person in England, celebrated her eighty-third birthday. One newspaper, in referring to the event, described her as the "Mother of Modern Gardening," but this is a title which I think she would not claim to be wholly hers. Miss Jekyll began her work when what one may call the sentimental appeal of the garden had been wakened by the Hon. Mrs. Boyle, who wrote under the initials "E. V. B.," and Mrs. Earle, of "Pot-Pourri from a Surrey Garden" fame. The books of those two ladies, and especially Mrs. Boyle's descriptions of her garden at Huntercombe, brought the realisation to people that a garden wasn't just some grass and some flowers, but that it could lead you anywhere—into literature, history, geography, botany—provided you understood. And to many people both Mrs. Boyle and Mrs. Earle opened the door to that understanding.

Then the late Mr. W. Robinson

Sport and General

"EYES RIGHT"

The Hon. Hugh Grosvenor and Mrs. Cator face the fire of the camera. The photograph was taken at a recent meet of the Fernie at John Ball Covert, near Market Harborough

Topical

MOVING OFF

Lady Black and Major Eddens moving off at a recent meet of the South Berks. The meet was held at Midgham Park, Reading, the residence of Lady Black's son Sir Robert Black

added a stern practicability to this sentimental appeal by waging warfare on "bedding out" and showing the possibilities of the herbaceous border. This was more or less the situation when Miss Jekyll began her work of garden design and to add the long list of her valuable books to garden literature. Both by her designs and by her books Miss Jekyll, the *doyenne* of all gardeners, has created beauty from one end of the country to the other in gardens of every sort and kind belonging to all manner of houses, from great castles to cottages. It is a wonderful record.

How it is Done

THERE are so many women of the *monde* nowadays who have taken to keeping shops of one sort and another that one wonders how they all manage to make a living out of it. Some of them don't, I believe. A friend of mine who is amongst the successful shopkeepers told me that she owes the bulk of her business to paying a commission of 10 per cent. to her friends and acquaintances who recommend customers. And in order to encourage such recommendations she not only pays the 10 per cent. on the first order, but on every subsequent order from the same person. For example, an acquaintance of hers recommended an American furnishing a house in London to go to the shop. In the course of eighteen months the American spent close upon £1,000, which brought £100 to the recommender in a 10 per cent. cheque on every order.

Another acquaintance, she told me, "borrows" something out of the shop once a month—a small piece of furniture, a piece of old tapestry or brocade, etc. This she puts in her drawing-room, and if it should chance to be admired she says she got it from my friend's shop. Result: 10 per cent. commission if any order arises. I don't know whether the system is general. My friend says she thinks it is. She says, too, that she finds it cheaper and more effective than advertising.

The Lure of the Cabaret

A DEAR old lady whose summers lie nearer to eighty than seventy recently gave a large family dinner-party. During the evening she took a favourite grandson into a corner.

"You go about a good deal," she said. "Now, do tell me what is this cabaret one is always seeing in the newspapers."

The young man explained. His grandmother got quite excited.

"But it must be delightful," she said. "I remember seeing something like it in Vienna when I was on my honeymoon. I should love to see one."

Alfieri

A QUIET CHAT

Commander and Mrs. Duckett and Captain Arbuthnot photographed at the Newbury Steeplechases. Judging by their smiles they have evidently found a winner

AT NEWBURY Topical

Lord and Lady Grimthorpe and Lady Ronaldshay taking a stroll during the Newbury meeting. The fields were large in spite of the Betting Tax

Jokingly the young man said, "Then, Grannie, I'll take you to one."

But instead of the expected plea of age, to his amazement the old lady agreed cordially. And, what was more, she insisted on being taken to a supper cabaret instead of a dinner one, because she "hadn't been out to supper for years and years."

They went to a supper cabaret the very next night, and the old lady was so delighted that now her family can't keep her away, and are beginning to be afraid that she will have her hair shingled and all her dresses

L.N.A

NOTABLE VISITORS

Mr. and Mrs. G. Lucas out with the Cottesmore at Tilton in Leicestershire. Mr. Lucas is Joint-Master of the Pytchley, whose country is under a ban owing to "foot-and-mouth" disease

L.N.A.

THE DISTAFF SIDE

The Countess of Brecknock (left) and Miss Musgrave before the run. The photograph was taken at the recent meet of the Quorn which was held at Lodge in the Wolds in Leicester-hire

shortened. And she had even given up going to the theatre!

Women Racehorse Owners

A LITTLE over a generation ago, when the then Duchess of Montrose started a racing-stable and ran her horses under the name of "Mr. Manton," the world was extremely shocked. On the racecourses "Mr. Manton" wore a man's shirt, stiff collar, tie, coat, and bowler hat. In fact, the only part of her costume that was feminine was her skirt, and that was of short and skimpy proportions in comparison with the flowing garments of those days. This, I think, deepened the feeling in Society of that time that it was "not quite nice for women to own race-horses."

After the Duchess of Montrose came Lady de Bathe, then Mrs. Langtry. She showed that it was not necessary for women to wear replicas of men's clothes if they owned a stable, and used to wear ravishing toilettes, as they were called in those days, when she went to see her horses run.

Nowadays, the woman owner is a commonplace. The list of winning owners for the flat-racing season this year has sixty-five names of women. And there must be a good many more women owners than that when you think of those who didn't win. None of their gains in stakes is sensational, but in the cases where they ran into four figures they would probably pay their stable expenses and something over. Mrs. Sofer Whitburn was the most successful lady owner.

A "Toc H" Festival

THE annual Birthday Festival of "Toc H" is being held this year at Manchester on December 11. A thanksgiving service is to be held in the Cathedral at 5.30 p.m., at which the patron, the Prince of Wales, will hand over the crosses from the graves of unknown soldiers, which will be placed in the chapels of "Toc H" houses or branches. The Festival, which will take the form of a choral and dramatic pageant, will be held in the Free Trade Hall. The chair will be taken by the Prince of Wales, and the proceedings will end with the lighting of the new Lamps of Maintenance granted during the preceding twelve months.

Sport and General

CHAIRING THE WINNER!

Mrs. Bernard Cuthbert with her Chow Chow "Black Moko." He took first prize at the Bristol Kennel Association's Open Championship Dog Show, held at the Drill Hall, Bristol

Dennis Moss

IN THE COTSWOLDS

A group at the Cotswold Coursing Club's meeting at Eastleach, Gloucestershire. Capt. R. R. Smart (left), Mr. John Adamthwaite, Mrs. R. R. Smart, Mr. C. Chester-Master, Brig.-General R. McCalmont, Capt. K. L. Storey Miss Jefferies and Mr. Richards

THE FLOWERS OF MENTON

The Riviera Week by Week

By DOUGLAS W. THORBURN

THE terrible tragedy at Roquebillières, near St. Martin-Vesubie, where a gigantic landslide overwhelmed a score of houses and their sleeping occupants in the early hours of the morning, has been the chief topic of conversation everywhere this week, for it occurred in one of the most picturesque and best known of the countless beauty spots of the whole Riviera. Several villages had to be suddenly evacuated, and about two thousand natives found themselves homeless, and the work of providing them with food and shelter has been a tremendous task. English and American visitors are subscribing liberally to the relief fund, and it was characteristic of the extreme kindness of heart of our distinguished winter resident, the Duke of Connaught, that he should have been one of the very first to send in a generous donation. Fortunately the Alpes Maritimes are generally free from geological upheavals, but it is remarkable that Roquebillières has been devastated by earthquakes or floods on several previous occasions, and always at an interval of four hundred years.

OUR coast resorts quickly recovered from the effects of the storms, and we have been rewarded by particularly beautiful weather for the past week. Golfers at Monte Carlo were very sorry for themselves for a while—and the secretary and staff of the golf club were still more so—for a small landslide effectively blocked the road between La Turbie and Mont Agel for a few days, and short of a balloon there was no means of reaching that popular sporting resort. By the most strenuous efforts the road was eventually cleared, and visitors have since then been going up in increasing numbers, and have had for their trouble a daily panorama of unusual brilliance and excellent golf on the much improved course.

MR. GUY HOGG, our Vice-Consul at Monaco, was delighted to be able to announce the other day that the sale of poppies on Armistice Day in aid of Earl Haig's Fund had already brought in the record total of 66,000 francs, thus beating Cannes by a substantial margin. There is still more to come, for a gala dinner and dance has since taken place at the Embassy under the patronage of Mr. Hogg and many prominent members of the British colony, and a share of the proceeds will be added to the British Legion fund. Mr. Hogg has been warmly congratulated, as he deserves to be, and special thanks are due to Lady Gaunt, who worked indefatigably in the excellent cause.

Daily Press

"CHURCH PARADE" AT BEAULIEU

The Duke of Connaught, who, as usual, is spending the winter at his villa at Cap Ferrat, leaving St. Michael's Church at Beaulieu. With him is Lady Samuel

THE first really big gala of the season was that which marked the re-opening of the enlarged Café de Paris, but though the dancing space is much larger it was by no means too large for the crowd which turned up. The menu was first-class, the music exhilarating, and the crowd quite typical of Monte Carlo at its best. General Campbell had taken a leading part in the organisation of the gala, and among the countless people from all parts of the coast were noted Baroness Orczy and Mr. Montagu Barstow, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips Oppenheim, Mr. and Madame Blasco Ibanez—by way of giving the true literary flavour to the assembly—Mr. and Mrs. Claude Grahame-White, who seem to be thoroughly enjoying their stay here on their yacht "Ethleen," Sir William and Lady Yarworth Jones, Lady Spearman, General Brewin, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Chunn, Admiral and Mrs. Niblack, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Butler, Comte and Comtesse de Bourbel, Colonel and Mrs. Midwood, Mr. Thomas Henry Dey—who had just taken possession of his villa at Cap d'Ail—Lady de Bathe, Mr. and Mrs. Kingsley Macomber, Prince and Princess Pierre of Montenegro, and many others. Monte Carlo is certainly in full swing once more, and everything points to a most successful season being enjoyed by residents and visitors alike.

THE Carlton has held its first gala, the Hermitage opened on December 1st, and the Metropole has just enlarged the Restaurant des Ambassadeurs by enclosing a part of the Galerie Charles III, giving guests a delightful place in which to lunch or dine, with a fine view over the sea. There is no lack of entertainment here, and concerts and theatrical performances take place daily. Anyone who is dull in Monte Carlo should consult a doctor.

LORD and Lady Sondes have arrived in Cannes and are at the Hôtel de Provence for the present. Mr. and Mrs. Reid Walker are at the Villa Rayrama, accompanied by the Countess of Kingston, and General P. R. C. Groves, the

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LAWN TENNIS BEGINS *Topical*

Lord Cholmondeley going on to the courts at Cannes for his first game of the season. He is one of the keenest lawn tennis players on the Riviera

"Across the Walnuts and the Wine"

BY MACMICHAEL

Our artist offers a few samples from the '26 Vintage Annual Dinner of the Wine Trade Club. Held at the Trocadero last week, it proved to be a "sparkling" and not a "dry" affair

well-known writer on aeronautical matters (he was Air Adviser to the Peace Council at Versailles), has returned to the Villa Muriel with Mrs. Groves. Mr. Hamilton Gibbs is staying in Nice with Mrs. Gibbs, but I hear he may come over to Cannes for the winter. He has a literary friend here in Mr. Howard Vincent O'Brien, the American novelist, who has settled at the Villa St. Pierre with his wife and family, a stone's throw from the house of Valentine Williams.

THE Casino of Juan-les-Pins, with its Restaurant la Fregate, pleasantly situated on the shore, continues to be so popular that for the second year in succession it has been found necessary to close the place for a month or two in order to enlarge it. The success of this establishment has been very striking, and has been doubtless due in part, at least, to the fact that one could always get good value for money there, which could scarcely be said of every Casino in France. The last few galas were attended by throngs of well-known people, who came in many instances from remote parts of the Riviera, and there will certainly be a big crowd for the re-opening gala, which takes place on Christmas Eve. We are promised plenty of novelties in the way of entertainments, and when Mr. Frank Jay Gould opens his new hotel de luxe, just a few hundred yards away among the pine trees, I suppose the Casino will have to be enlarged again!

HYERES is filling up, rather slowly but surely, and by Christmas we may count on many cheery parties in the local hotels. Sir Arthur and Lady Fell are at the Golf Hotel, where the other guests include Sir Osmond Williams, Lady Scotter, Colonel and Mrs. Wortabet, Captain and Mrs. Calloway, Judge Fleming and Mrs. Fleming, Major and Mrs. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Van Dyke, and Mr. Scott Fitzgerald, the American writer, and his wife. A new resident in the district is Lieut.-Colonel Proes, the recently appointed British Consul at Toulon, who has taken a villa at Murillon with Mrs. Proes, and I hear Mr. and Mrs. Francis Kent, who have been touring lately, will give one or two receptions this month at the Villa Miramar to meet the new Consul and his wife.

AT CANNES *Sport and General*

Lieut.-Colonel B. H. Mathew-Lannowe, who has succeeded Colonel B. D. Miller as polo manager of the Cannes Polo Club. The Riviera polo season is now getting into full stride

THE success of the season now depends mainly on the attitude of the hotel industry. They have had so prosperous a time of it during the past few years that some of them have become a little too autocratic, and not only are they asking excessive prices now but they inform would-be guests that there will be a substantial increase in the New Year. Fortunately there are many who understand business principles better than this, and who are only too willing to quote definite terms for the whole of a long stay, and these are the hotels which are now filling up, or in some cases are already full. The others will no doubt learn their lesson in due course. The French Riviera is exceptionally well equipped with hotels of all classes, and the best of them could hardly be equalled in any pleasure resort. From Menton to Hyères there is a long line of hotels almost without interruption, and the choice is unlimited. Every taste and every pocket is catered for, while the climate provides facilities for outdoor sports throughout the winter. Little wonder that several families I know, choked almost to death in the black London fog of the other week, decided straight away to secure sleeping berths on the Blue Train and are now enjoying the fresh clean air of the Côte d'Azur. Thousands more are soon coming to escape from the cold and damp of a British winter.

DOUGLAS THORBURN.

ON SUNSHINE BEACH *Marc Le Noir*

A merry group on the beach at Cannes. The photograph shows a physical training class under happier circumstances than in the Army days of stern "compulsory training"

Making the Feathers Fly

Lewis

MISS WINIFRED SHOTTER

Who is still playing Rhoda Marley, the vision in pyjamas who causes all the flutter in that laughter-making show, "Rookery Nook," at the Aldwych. This is her first big part in London and she has made a triumphant success of it

BON MOT-IFS

By HARTLEY CARRICK

"I SUPPOSE," she said jocosely to the old sailor, "you have a wife in every port."

"Not quite, mum," replied the salt, "you see, I've never been to Rio yet!"

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"JACK kissed me on the chin last night."

"What a low down trick!"

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"PROFESSIONAL humorists should be put in the pillory," writes a disgruntled author. That is certainly one way of making laughing-stocks of them.

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LAST Wednesday an Islington woman was struck on the head by a falling chimney-pot. To take that sort of pot-luck strikes us as very unfortunate.

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A SCOTTISH divine says the modern girl is deplorable.

He thinks her manners have decayed,
In righteous wrath he effervesces,
And cannot stand the modern maid,
Because she's "mustard" and caresses!

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A WILL written on an egg-shell has been set aside. On inspection, the judge decided there was nothing in it.

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THE French franc is still in an unhealthy condition. Could it speak, it would probably say it felt only *sou-sou*.

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IT is now denied that the Charleston originated through a gentleman who inadvertently sat down on an ant heap.

STAGE SILHOUETTES

(W. H. Berry in *Princess Charming*.)

Although the plague of beri-beri
Is said to be disastrous (very),
It makes me feel distinctly merry
To see Bill Berry in a béret!

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Two men were discussing a certain Trade Union leader. "I think the blighter ought to be shot," said one.

"I agree," replied the other, "but what is everybody's business is nobody's!"

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OUR office-boy says that, because Adam took a spare part and made a loud-speaker, he should have the credit of inventing wireless telegraphy.

BY EDWIN MORROW

THE SEEN AND THE SCENE

SHE: "What cheek! That man has just spoken to me, and I don't know him from Adam!"

HE: "Well, I expect he hardly knew you from Eve"

PRESENTS OF MIND

When Christmas comes, as come it will,
As surely as the sun will set,
I like to sit and muse a bit
Upon the gifts I ought to get.
Each year from uncle and from aunt
I entertain high expectations,
Although it's true, 'tween me and you,
That ours are rather "strained" relations!

Perhaps now things are on the mend,
Aunt Jane may ope her treasure chest,
And take it in her heart to send
A hundred of the very best;
And Uncle James will send a watch
(I've known him now and then quite pleasant);
Remembering (the kind old thing)
That there is no time like the present!

Vain dream! cigars I'll get from him,
They'll be "Coronas," he'll aver,
But if I tried to smoke one, I'd
Be sat on by the Coroner!
And I'm aware that in thin air
That hundred's gone; for I expect I
Shall get again from old Aunt Jane
The same old blue and crimson necktie!

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"WHAT do you think of the dancing?"

"I think it would have made Terpsic."

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"WHY is it," asks a musical comedy critic, "that the hero must always have a dozen girls hanging round him?" We suppose it is because he likes to be met by a chorus of approval.

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A LADY admirer says that, "in his way, Arnold Bennett is as great a man as Abraham Lincoln." My hat! or rather, My Lincoln and Bennett.

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A CONTRIBUTOR propounds this problem: "Why didn't the Ladies' Mile?" A dentist surmises it was because she had a Rotten Row.

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BOBBIE, who is keen on motoring, now refers to his little inside as an up-to-date filling station.

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WE are always hearing about the Cambridge backs. Perhaps at the Varsity match the Oxford backs will have something to say for themselves.

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A BLIND man has been arrested for assaulting a policeman. He saw red.

The Fact and the "Fancy"

BY WILL OWEN

JONES: 'Hullo, Jicks, somebody was telling me you won £250 at Birmingham last week—is that right?"
JICKS: "Not quite. It was £25 not £250 and it was at Newbury not Birmingham and I did not win it—I lost it!"

Who's Who Among Brides and

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MISS ALICE BERTHA RUCK

The elder daughter of Major-General Sir Richard M. Ruck, who is to marry the Rev. Geoffrey Warwick in January. Her fiancé is Rector of Gunton-with-Hanworth Norfolk

Bassano

MISS HILDA MERLE SHIERS

Whose engagement to the Rev. B. Dennis Jones, Precentor of Trinity College, Cambridge, has been announced. She is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Shiers, of Cheadle

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MISS MARGOT OLIVER

Who is to be married to-day (Wednesday) to Mr. G. Wolfe Barry, R.N., at St. Mark's, North Audley Street. She is the daughter of the late Mr. T. Leithead Oliver and Mrs. H. E. How

A YOUTHFUL ESCORT

Aitken

The small but efficient guard of honour and the bridesmaids were striking features at the wedding of Mr. J. F. C. Inglefield, eldest son of the late Admiral Sir Frederick Inglefield and Lady Inglefield, of Flower Lilies, Windley, Derby, and Miss Rosemary Scott, only daughter of the late Admiral Sir Percy Scott. The Bishop of Derby officiated at the ceremony, which took place at St. Margaret's, Westminster

Bridegrooms, Recent and Future

A NAVAL WEDDING *Bassano*

Lieutenant T. M. Brownrigg, R.N., photographed with his bride, Miss Joyce Chiesman, after their wedding at St. Peter's Church, Eaton Square. The best man was Lieutenant Kenneth Mackintosh, R.N.

Burrell and Hardman

A RECENT BRIDE

Mrs. R. W. Kendall, formerly Miss Sylvia M. Crisp, youngest daughter of the late Dr. John Crisp and Mrs. Crisp, of Market Harborough. She was married last week to Mr. R. W. Kendall, second son of the late Mr. Paul Kendall and Mrs. Kendall, of Guildford

Bertram Park

A SOCIETY ENGAGEMENT

Miss Venetia Taylor, the only daughter of Captain John Vickris Taylor. She is to be married to the Earl of Cottenham, who succeeded to the title in 1922

The Note of Discord

BY E. T. REED

CONSTABLE BULL: "You know quite well you're not allowed by law to go whistling for taxis—disturbing the neighbourhood! Now, *I don't want no argument!*"

PEACEABLE CITIZEN: "Oh well, *I do!* Hang it, Mr. Cook and his Communist crowd can go and *disturb the whole country* and precious nearly ruin it, and *I* mustn't even call a cab when I want one. Rotten ideas of law some people have!"

THE LIGHTS ARE UP!

By Blanchette *Illustrations by HELEN McKIE*

LONDON, *December 6.*

DEAR COUSIN—

THE lights are up here in London once more, and coal's down, or soon going to be, and all's for the best in the best of all possible worlds once more, or, anyway, feels like it. Not that somehow we've been too *terribly* depressed, have we, spite of strikes and shortages and things. Bravely and gallantly kept the flag flying, even if there's only been cold meat for lunch, and for dinner a kipper cooked on coke, or words to that effect. And eaten things out of tins and sacked the *chef* (if any) and never had a real, proper, ramping, roaring fire not once, so help me, even on the very shiveriest of chill November days.

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BUT *rather* a relief in a way to feel we can sort of let ourselves go with a clear conscience again, and a full coal cellar, what? The lights are up, and quite one of the best times to enjoy 'em, too, this particular moment or period of the year as ever is. Indeed, summer's splendid and still by ancient tradition it has the so-called Big Season then—but not sure, sometimes, it isn't rather a waste. With all the lovely long days, I mean (especially since the late lamented Mr. Willett put his little gadget across), and lasting right up to nine or ten or so—positively quite an effort, sometimes, going out to parties and almost feels like the dawning after the night before as you drive along with the bright and brilliant daylight staring you in the face. Whereas now . . .

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NOW in this alleged December dark and drear, it's a positive joy to start dressing even almost punctually, complete with boiling hot Morny-perfumed bath, and glowing fire to follow while you luxuriously and finally choose the frock-of-the-moment. Which, having dallyingly donned, with oddments appropriate thereunto, and just possibly the tiniest sip of one of those cocktails the Deans denounce, not to mention puff of cigarette that by now they've given up condemning ('cos no one listens and sometimes their wives and young smoke gaspers, too)—forth you sally, feeling rather like the owner of the world (with a touch of Gladys Swanson *plus* Gloria Cooper) into the lights of London.

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AND oh! how sparkling and heartening and welcoming they are as you glide or tick (according to whether it's Rolls or hackney) through those transformed streets that were so solid and ordinary (though nicely English) by day and now all dressed up in the flimsiest and most alluring nighties of luminous chiffon and glinting *crêpe de Chine* that even Paris couldn't beat. As someone once said (or if not they're too late now), all cats and capitals look the same by night (which is though, for capitals, anything but grey). And even if that nice new one-way rotary stunt of to-day keeps you rotating the wrong way for ten minutes or so, who cares? Especially if suitably accompanied—what?

"Coal's down"

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A WONDERFUL world, though, it must have been, in those old days—of which I've just been reminded, by the way, by Mr. Osbert Sitwell's almost too terribly tragic book "Before the Bombardment." Which is not in the least a war affair as you might think, but just about an oldish woman and her "companion" and their spiritual and other adventures in the dark days of the Boer War and earlier. But brightened by at least one somewhat sweet description of a Hunt or County ball—as now in progress in great profusion in good old England, though not, of course, anything in the *least* like these festivals of bygone days when, in the old-time Lancers, for instance:—

> The "County" arranged its own sets, and the elder ladies, sporting diamond stars or a tiara, would hurl their weight into these steps with a truly admirable zest, to clownish cries of "I do love to see the young people enjoying themselves."

And at supper afterwards, an orgy of quails and champagne, "held by the provinces to be the two symbols of metropolitan luxury," the tables at which sat the County Families called loudly to each other across the dining-room, while the town tables were either abashed or defiantly lively. Let's thank heaven, *n'est-ce pas?* that there's no such "County" spirit now—or if there is, not when we're *in* the County, anyway.

The Lancers

BUT talking of these aforesaid lights, also led us, they did, the other night, to quite an engaging and bright affair, the Midnight Follies, to wit, at a one-time quite dreary and dullish hotel called the Metropole till someone (I don't know whether it was Sir Francis Towle, or Mr. Buchanan Taylor, or Mr. Clifford Whitley, or who) suddenly seemed to have thought of brightening things up. Anyway, now it's quite a nice place to know, and all the more so, may I add, since they chucked their recent and short-lived idea of having two shows a night, which really can't be done in the time. Also having been alleged, apparently, that the Playfair cabaret show was a bit too highbrow for local taste, they've put on a real rollicking, rattling lot of scenes that are frightfully cheerful and noisy, so that you don't have to think of the words, and it wouldn't be much use if you wanted to, methinks, though I do seem to remember Mr. Cyril Pritchard or someone saying "Horses, Horses, Horses," at me with much vigour and vehemence, and a slightly worried look as if his hobby-steed had got spavins or glanders or something.

"Barbaric wiggling"

"Who says life's dull?"

BUT the only thing that *really* mattered that evening was to see Marjorie Moss and M. Georges Fontana dancing again. For the moment, I think (because dancers don't go on for ever, do they?) quite the best ballroom dancers *du monde*. And, for once, a pair. She has an infinite grace—no one else I know except Pavlova could go through that rather boring business of being lifted about and put down by her partner (why do they do it?) without some loss of charm; but she floats featherily through the air and comes to earth again just like a feather. And what a lovely way of living—floating through the air and getting for it, *on dit* (in America, at any rate) something like—wal, I don't think I'd better mention the sum for fear of disturbing the vicar's daughters from their good works, but it's, anyway, some hundreds of pounds sterling per week, and then some.

DANCING also in progress at aforesaid Follies, by the way, for mere paying guests—and I regret to say quite a lot of "Charleston" there. I had given up this particular dance once, but now it's quite impossible, seeing that everybody's doing it, so I've fallen weakly and feebly once again, and must say feel a somewhat unrepentant sinner in this matter, what's more, to boot. And Mr. Cochran's actually running a whole right-down regular Charleston Ball at the Albert Hall next week, *n'est-ce pas?* on Wednesday, to be precise, whereat there are to be all sorts of competitions and things by experts, but as the proceedings or revelries last from nine to five (rather like a whole day at the office only the other way round), p'raps even the mere lay dancers may get a few samples of their own particular style in at odd moments—what?

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A FEARFUL and fatal dance though it appears, the Charleston, according to some of our best if not necessarily brightest. Disgusting and barbaric wriggling, for one thing, says one perfectly good Church official (at least I'm sure he must be), and it's inconceivable (he adds) that daughters of Christians should be subjected in the ballroom to above-mentioned d. and b.w. A horrid and serious thought, is not it?—but even worse, methinks, or anyway, almost as bad as this grave moral danger, dear brethren and sistren, is that merely physical one they're talking about called the Charleston Leg. Which means, apparently, that by reason of all the ankle-twisting muscles start developing 'emselves in wrong sort of places, and, er—well, that really *is* rather a serious and solemn thought to give you pause, is not it?

For still the more she jerks the more
Do her weak ankles swell . . .

as one of the bygone poets, Wordsworth, to wit, remarked—or words to that effect.

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WHO says life's dull after all, I ask you, when there's gems like that about? Or for that matter, a thoroughly cheerful and fascinating enterprise like the Three Arts Ball that they're having at Covent Garden this very week, Thursday, to be exact, all Lido-y and Venetian-y, and all that Dog-e sort of thing. Went to a St. Andrew's Ball at Claridge's for the Middlesex Hospital last week, by the way, I did, and they brought in the haggis to supper in state, with retinue of pipers, before the assembled guests, that included the Duke and Duchess of York as well as your Blanchette. And many a Scottish optic followed them wistfully as they marched round the room—by the way, forgot to add there was a bottle of a local liqueur called Whusky or something in the procession, too.

With love,

Yours ever,

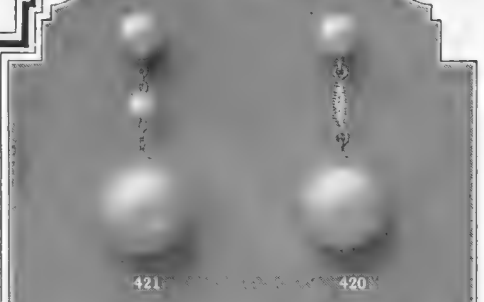
BLANCHETTE.

"Such Sweet Compulsion Doth in Music Lie"

BY MAC

THE WHOLE TOWN'S DANCING

Dancing time at the Trocadero is a matter of compulsion beneath the sway of Cowell's band. Cowell himself is one of those pianists who can play the piano in a way that makes dancing irresistible to young and old alike



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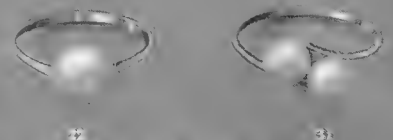

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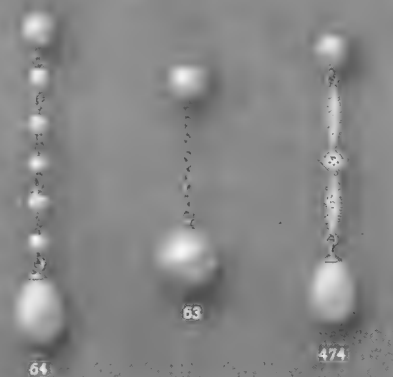

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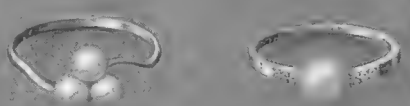

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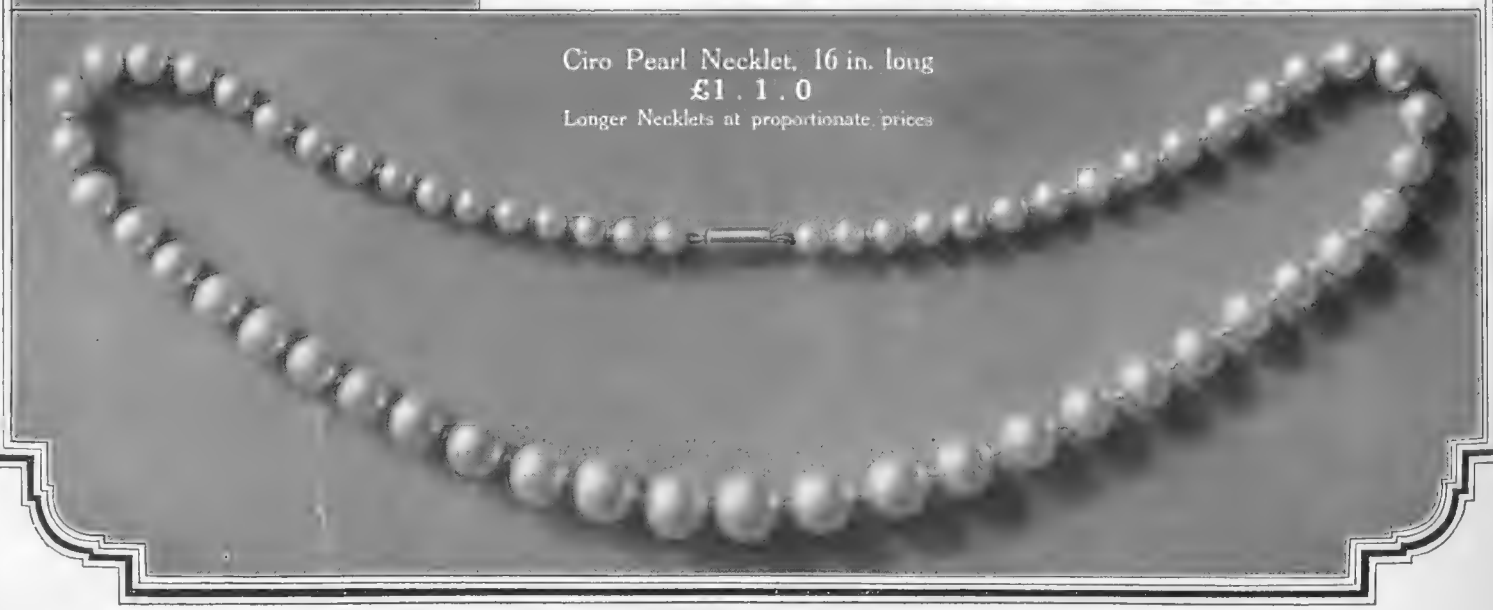

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LEGS IN KENSINGTON

Sketches by GILBERT WILKINSON

A MAN lived for many years in a place that has not yet heard of "Valencia." The women living in his parts wore clothes which a visiting butterfly from London said were not clothes at all. The man saw things in the twentieth century very much as he had seen them in the nineteenth, and, what is much more important, he did not see in the twentieth century what he did not see in the nineteenth. Vain to pretend that I am not that man.

See me one sunny morning in Daydream Ferry. There is a girl to greet, I hurry to admit, but she is behind a counter selling stamps or, maybe, tobacco. There is an agricultural poster to read. There is a fence over which to look at the sheep that were there yesterday. There are some female Sussex yokels going abroad in large tea-cosys with a hole cut on top for exhibiting the head. In the churchyard there is a frost-bitten nonagenarian digging a grave. Note my demeanour while I enjoy these sights. I am placid, pensive and dispassionate.

Follows a land-change. From Daydream Ferry I am picked up by the celestial genie in control of *loci standi* and pitched into Kensington. I am whisked from one century into another. Suddenly I am bade see what I have always been told I must not see. Spare a sigh for the tempests in my heart.

Really, these legs! Did they burst upon you suddenly? Did you go to bed one night and sleep serenely on a legless purview, and did you wake on the morrow to find all skirts bisected and a surge of calves on every pavement? For your susceptible sake I hope the revolution came slowly. I hope that first you were startled perhaps gratefully by a trickle of ankles, just as the sea startles with an inrushing shallow when you think the tide is receding. When you became ankle-proof and not before, I hope, some inches of *tibialis posticus* and *flexor longus digitorum* tendons were tossed to the public gaze.

I can imagine your becoming desperately apprehensive round about this stage. Proverbially women never know when to stop. The suspense must have been even more hard to bear than the actual event, though I surmise that you had not long to wait. Women have always been inclined to prink about their calves, and here was their chance. You went out unsuspectingly one quite ordinary morning and found the *gastrocnemius* everywhere. The calf had sailed into the waters of propriety.

Here women might have stopped, and, had I been consulted, so I would have advised them. The knee is nobbly. Let us have no knees. Be sensible, you sirens, and do not plot to flaunt that which is less than your most beautiful.

But woman did expose the knee. To be more exact, she took to a skirt that exposed the knee when she sat or ran or walked rapidly. Why did she do this? I can't pretend that I did not read about the occurrence at Daydream Ferry, and my perplexity was considerable. Since then I have walked in Kensington, and once more I raise my hat to wily woman.

"She made the discovery, as her skirts ascended"

Of course the knee is ugly, and you may be sure that woman knows it. But she made the discovery, as her skirts ascended, that there was extreme beauty about the curve of the *popliteal* space at the back of the knee. "They'll put up with the ugliness of the *patella* for the sake of the allure of *popliteal*," said woman, though perhaps not in exactly those words. And from the skirt went another inch or so.

Is all over? Who can say? I ask them, however, on behalf of all febrile masculinity to be merciful. We became hardened to the ankle, callous to the calf, but it will take most of us years to view the *popliteal* with equanimity. Look back, my contemporaries, over the centuries and the works achieved in them. Now you know how it was

done. Not for them the distractions of this day. Who could have written Euclid, or invented a steam engine, or discovered the law of gravitation in the presence of the *popliteal* curve?

Colour has come into Kensington. I beg you not to think that I spend my walking hour looking legward. Indeed, I hold my head back and wonder if the fleecy clouds above can also be seen in Daydream Ferry. But there are moments when the head must be bent, and at such moments my optic nerve is assailed with a glow and a flush of diverted sunsets.

Where do they get their pinks? I have seen one of the tints before, and I have only just recalled where and why. I had shot a very young partridge and its body fell in a rill. When I went to pick it up I found that its fledgling blood had mixed with the running water. The tint of that water, coloured by the life-blood of a graceful young bird, was the tint of pink which I find most frequently on Kensington calves.

Some sprightly sluts shake a leg that reminds one of the colour of a parrot's beak, but for the most part the tints, if squeezed out, would not make up enough for a single blush. All are semi-transparent. This dark angel gives us opalescence. Yonder maid is all for milkiness. A grey-eyed girl has ended herself with the tint of pearl.

"I hold my head back and wonder if the fleecy clouds above can also be seen in Daydream Ferry"

Blonde legs! Some pale, some ashy, some with a whiff of death about them. Then quite a number of browns, which is the colour that tugs most at my heart. Nut, cinnamon, and chocolate. Girls with apricot legs abound, though I do not often see what I regard as true peach. There are flames. There are oranges. There are even copper warming pans. But you have seen, and much longer than I. The opals and the marbles are perhaps your favourites. One Tuesday I saw a pair in bottle-green.

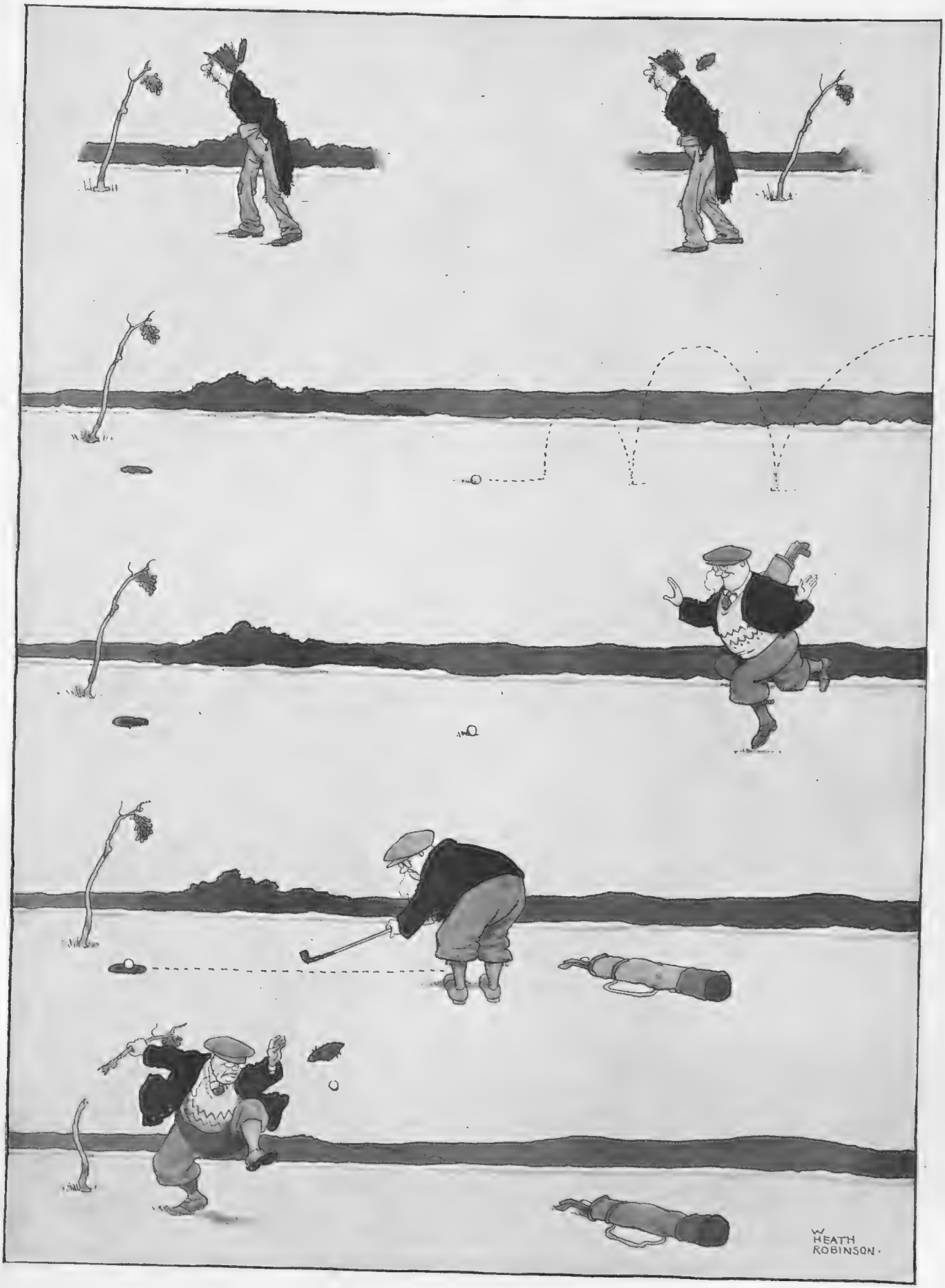
Where is black? I am provoked that there should be no black. I will speak to one of these extrinsic creatures and ask. She will not reproach me, as I shall begin by saying that I write for the papers . . . Black is not worn by them because it is too gloomy, they say. It suggests soot and coal and funerals. Also it suggests night and niggers and charcoal and kitchen grates. Worse than that, it reminds them of printers' ink . . . Thank you. B. M. H.

Bertram Park

"THE WOULD-BE GENTLEMAN"

A scene from the new English version of Molière's comedy at the Lyric, Hammersmith. The music master (Edmund X. Kapp), Mme. Jourdain (Sydney Fairbrother), M. Jourdain (Nigel Playfair), the dancing master (Miles Malleson), Baptiste (James Whale) and Nicole (Florence McHugh)

The Lie



BY W. HEATH ROBINSON

One of those golfing stories which you are not bound to believe if you don't want to

"Sweets to the Sweet"

Dorothy Wilding

JESSIE MATTHEWS

A new and particularly bright star in the theatrical firmament. She was formerly an understudy to Gertrude Lawrence and is now the leading lady in the new "Charlot Show" at the Prince of Wales Theatre

Produced November 16, 1926

By "JINGLE"

Illustrated by MACMICHAEL

THE principal item in Mr. Archie de Bear's lively revue, *Vaudeville Vanities,* is a gorgeous little ballet entitled "A Venetian Wedding," written by Mr. Louis Napoleon Parker and composed by Mr. Fraser-Simson, with costumes and setting by Mr. Laurence Irving. The prologue is delivered by Mr. J. H. Roberts, who is the handy-man of the entertainment, posing for the moment as a picturesque "Scaramouche." I do not pretend to have memorised his verses, but they ran something like this:—With woe our theme is not o'erladen, We have two lovers, youth and maiden. And then we have the grasping father, Who'd sell his child for Gold, oh, rather! And while the maid her eye is dabbing, We introduce a bit of stabbing. But joy comes after all the trouble, So take our show as but a Bubble. Just like that. And we have it on the authority of the late King Macbeth that the earth hath bubbles as the water hath, so that nobody can say that the idea is far fetched.

IT is a very dainty Bubble. Harlequin is the poor carpenter's apprentice who aspires to the hand of his master's daughter, Columbine. Pantaloon, the heavy father, is so angry when Harlequin makes his plea that he picks up a chopper, half minded to lay the lad out for his presumption. While Harlequin is pining in solitude Columbine appears and does a bit of tip-toe dancing to give a little welcome lightness to the proceedings; and then Leandro, a splendidly-attired noble, struts on the scene with bags of gold to buy the maid's consent. (The idea that any girl could be tempted to marry for money is both rich and original, I understand.) Then Scriveners appear with the marriage register, and Pantaloon tries to drag his weeping child in the direction of the inkpot. At this point Harlequin becomes so obstreperous that the old man has no alternative but to stab him in the waistcoat with a cold chisel.

AT this point the wealthy Leandro retires with dignity, realising that Mere Money can never be a substitute for Real Love. Then we find that Harlequin was not much hurt; and when learned Doctors come to feel his pulse he just chases them off the grass, and signs the marriage register with Columbine, while the dainty bridesmaids skip about to show their delight. Miss Mimi Crawford is the leading dancer, while Mr. Basil Howes is Harlequin and Mr. Harry Winter is Pantaloon. The set scene is a dainty corner of Venice, with a portion of canal thrown in, and the ballet is a charming outbreak of brightness and beauty.

THEN there is Mr. Bobby Howes, who is a comic singer of the best sort. I do not know that much can be said about his first song, "One of the Mugs," which hardly seems suitable to the general delicacy of this graceful entertainment; but another of his songs, given towards the end of the evening, is a most happy effort. It is entitled, "Is it British?" and this very topical query is propounded as by a loud-mouthed orator from the bad eminence of his soap-box in the Park. His appeal to have the various questions considered as "man to man" is quite masterly caricature. During the evening Mr. Bobby Howes takes part in a scene called "The Quality of Mercy," which will remind many good men of their well-beloved (or otherwise) sergeant-major on the parade grounds of yesterday. Mr. Howes has drawn

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All bound for happiness in "the sunshine line" number. Left to right, Cyril Smith, Basil Howes, Enid Stamp-Taylor, Frances Doble, J. H. Roberts, Mimi Crawford, Hugh Dempster, and, in front Bobby Howes and Polly Ward

his non-com. straight from life, and his manner of barking the word of command to his men may well bring a reminiscent tear to many an ex-soldierly eye.

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ALMOST amusing quartette by Miss Mimi Crawford and Miss Enid Stamp-Taylor (representing the Blondes) and Miss Polly Ward and Miss Elsa Brown (representing the Brunettes) takes up the burning question of masculine Preference. The Blondes refer vauntingly to the well-advertised superiority of their branch of the fair sex, while the opposition retort that "They also Prefer Brunettes." This sounds at first rather like a contradiction in terms, but the Brunettes probably know. Man is a volatile creature at best, and there are more days in the week than one. Another amusing turn—which, I fancy, was not given on the first night—shows us a nagging wife with a subdued husband whose replies are limited to a single letter of the alphabet, each in its right order. The letters are introduced very suitably, and although you always know what is coming you are bound to admire the ingenuity of the dialogue.

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A NOVEL scene is that of a well-to-do father and mother in their home anxiously awaiting the return of their dutiful son from business. It seems that the young man is in the burglary line, and his proud parents discuss his exploits in his absence. Since he is a little late they are bound to consider the possibility of his having encountered an interfering policeman while at his absorbing work. It would seem that burglary, like all our other industries at the moment, is being hampered by outside interference. In due course the son arrives home, bringing with him a nice little present for his gentle mother in the shape of a string of diamonds he has successfully burgled during the evening; but he fears that his friends will never forgive him for having brought disgrace upon his fair name as an expert burglar. While he was busy at his job of safe-breaking a policeman crept on the scene, and the young man took a pot shot at him and—missed him. We are given to understand that burglars of standing in their profession do not approve of this kind of carelessness.

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THERE is a scene from Mr. A. A. Milne's playful fancy of "The King's Breakfast," the opening scene of which settles the question once and for all as to whether Kings and Queens wear their crowns in bed. It seems that they do. Mr. Roberts as the King, who only wants a little butter on his bread, gives the nonsensical lines their full value, while Miss Polly Ward and Miss Mimi Crawford as the Queen and the Dairymaid respectively repeat their quaint dialogue with a nice precision. Perhaps, however, the turn hardly represents the present standard of popular revue humour.

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As far as I know, the game of chess has not yet been exploited as a source of riotous fun, so that the turn devoted to that fascinating, but not altogether rapid, hobby is rather new. Mr. Roberts, as an old lady who is being taught the game by her nephew, gets a quite unexpected amount of rich humour out of the moves of the various pieces until a diversion is created by the usual children next door, who throw a ball into your garden and expect you to get up and find it. An original turn is that of "The Three Wise Monkeys," who perform strange dances with all the simian poetry of motion. Miss Crawford and Mr. Howes supply the daintier portion of the revue, while Mr. Roberts and Mr. Bobby Howes are humorists on broader lines.

JINGLE.

Lenare

VANITY WITH A "V"

The principals and chorus in the opening number. As seen by the photograph, "cheeriness" is the keynote of this sparkling revue

BY MACMICHAEL

SOME COLOURFUL IMPRESSIONS OF "VAUDEVILLE VANITIES"

OWED

"HIGHER EDUCATION"

BY WESLEY MURRAY

TWO OF THEM

By HOLLOWAY HORN

Illustration by DEWAR MILLS

It is a case of two minds with but a single thought"

FROM his comfortable seat in the big window at the end of the blue and white ballroom of the Hôtel Munificent the young man known as Raymond Durrant watched the dancers. It was a vivid crowd; many of the women were beautiful, almost all were beautifully dressed.

Through the open window at his side the darkly blue Mediterranean could be seen, but apparently the young man found the dancers more interesting.

He was—one uses the phrase unwillingly—immaculately clad. If anything, he was the least bit too well dressed. One rarely finds a gentleman so perfectly attired as Raymond Durrant was that evening. His clothes breathed of Savile Row, his tie, his shirt, his socks, indeed everything that was his, were studiously correct.

To the casual observer he was exceedingly good-looking. Tall, solidly built, with beautifully brushed dark hair, he would, very likely, have held even the casual observer's glance. But if one looked at him more closely, and was at all sensitive to character in a face, one felt . . . uncertain. He *was* good-looking, but there was a lack of steadiness in his dark eyes. Furtive is perhaps not quite the *mot juste*—they were too much under control for that—but rarely did they meet a level scrutiny without a momentary flinching.

But perhaps it is unreasonable to expect too much in any face, particularly if one finds humour there. And Raymond Durrant, whatever else he lacked, possessed that saving grace.

Idly he watched the dancers—and one lady in particular—as he quietly smoked his cigarette. She was not a very beautiful lady—there is, of course, a charm in the calm maturity of middle-age—but it does not often appeal to men like Durrant. She was American, one saw that at a glance. Her hair was dark and the only jewel she wore was an emerald necklace. But one could not fail to notice the green stones even in that colourful assembly.

The man who watched her was glad she was wearing the emeralds because he was more interested in her pearls. These, as she was not wearing them, would be in her room on the first floor. She had worn them the previous evening, and Durrant had noted them carefully and with complete approval.

All the world, of course, knew that her husband, Malcomb Swayne, was a millionaire of the spectacular sort; her jewels were of the type that such a man would buy. He was in the buffet consuming cocktails—or, as he put it, making up for lost time—and, as Durrant knew, would be there for an hour or so. He was not a factor to be reckoned with in the work Durrant contemplated.

A tall and strikingly fair girl passed him in the easy rhythm of the fox-trot. For a moment her gaze rested on him. She was dressed in a slim black frock and wore no jewels whatever. Durrant watched her, casually, unobtrusively. He had failed to "place" her; this would not have worried him, however, but for a feeling that he had seen her before. But the memory—if indeed it were a memory—was of the vaguest.

A little later, with a faint, but calculated, trace of boredom in his bearing, he went into the buffet. Mr. Swayne was jovially busy as Durrant sauntered through. He paused in the doorway to light another cigarette before he made his way up the main staircase to the first floor on which his room was also situated.

A verandah runs along the front of the Hôtel Munificent, and Durrant—no longer with an air of boredom—stepped out on to it. The Swaynes' suite, as he had expected, was in darkness. The moon was not yet up, and there was little chance of anyone noticing him as he passed along the verandah. But certain risks are unavoidable in Mr. Durrant's chosen profession.

A smile crossed his face in the darkness when he discovered that the window of Mrs. Swayne's room was open. He

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pushed it a little further ajar, and listened. All was silent. As he knew, the bulk of the hotel staff and the visitors' personal servants were at their evening meal at that hour. But caution was second nature to him on these occasions, and he entered the room with no more noise than a cat would have made.

Again he listened, but no sound reached him. Silently he drew the blind—which was, as he had already noted, exactly similar to the one in his own room—before he switched on the light. A hurried glance round the room told him the likely places in which to look for the jewels; but they were in none of them. He discovered them, however, in one of the drawers in the wardrobe, where they had been placed without any attempt at concealment. The first case was empty; evidently it was the one which had held the emeralds. The second and the third did not greatly interest him; but the fourth contained the pearls.

As the light fell on them they were iridescent, almost translucent. They were beauties. A queer smile flashed into his eyes. People who left pearls in unlocked drawers in rooms with the windows open simply did not know how to treat them or deserve to have them.

He had thought out his plan of action to the uttermost detail before beginning the job. In conformity with the plan he replaced the case which had held the pearls. But with the pearls themselves in his hand he paused, and yet again that queer smile flickered over his face. Something obviously amused him very much; he took out the case again and put the pearls back into it. But the smile died, for even as he snapped the catch a sound reached him. He was suddenly taut with caution; it was the sound of a key in the outer door of the suite. Without hesitation, he replaced the case in the drawer and switched off the light. There was no time to escape, but he managed to slip silently behind the big curtain at the side of the window as the door of the room was opened. Silhouetted against the light in the little hall beyond he saw the tall, fair girl in the black frock.

She peered round nervously before she switched on the light in the room itself. He dared not glance out again, but he heard her cross the room, heard her open drawer after drawer. Once an exclamation of annoyance broke from her. He took a risk and peeped round the curtain. Her attitude, the untidy mess of the open drawers, left no doubt as to the meaning of her presence. He had designed the whole affair to allow him an unhurried get-away; the girl was cruder in her methods.

She found the jewel-cases even as he had done, and he watched her open one after another. A little hissing intake of her breath told him that she had found the pearls.

He chose that moment to step out from behind the curtain.

With a smothered cry she swung round to meet him, but he watched the tiny black revolver in her hand without flinching.

"It's rather a relief to sit out an occasional dance, don't you think?" he smiled.

"What . . . what do you want? What are you doing here?" she gasped.

"It is a case of two minds with but a single thought," he said.

"The pearls?"

"Exactly."

"It is a pity, then. They are mine," she said, apparently adjusting herself to his flippant tone.

"By virtue of that little gun?"

"I *thought* you were a crook, too, when I noticed you in the hotel," she said. "Don't move," she went on. "There is a silencer on the revolver which makes it quite safe for *me* if it goes off—no one outside this room would hear it. I intend to lock you in and leave you to explain your presence as best you can to Mr. Swayne and the hotel people . . . and the police."

"That's rather a dirty trick, don't you think? But, in any case, I think you might hold the gun a little more steadily."

"Trick! I'm not playing a game. I'm not in this kind of thing for the fun of it," she said scornfully. "And business is business, the world over."

"You are very beautiful, standing there," he smiled. "The revolver rather spoils the general effect, though."

"And I'm in no mood for back-chat. Stand over there by the curtain!"

She retreated towards the door. In her left hand was the case containing the pearls, in her right the revolver.

That maddening smile crossed his face again.

"You're not quite as clever as you thought," she snapped. "Good-night and pleasant dreams!"

She had closed the door and turned the key; he was alone.

His face was grim. He disliked dirty tricks. The curious part of the affair was that either she did not know or had overlooked the exit by the window.

He made his way back to his own room and within a minute or so had reached the vestibule of the hotel. He sat on a low chesterfield in an alcove near the door . . . and waited. The more he thought over the affair the more he disliked her attitude and the treacherous trick she had attempted to play on him.

As he had anticipated, she came out of the lift opposite to him almost at once. She was wearing a long fur coat, and did not notice him as she crossed to the office. He heard the clerk ring up the garage for her car.

As she passed through the big revolving doors he joined her.

"It's a very pleasant evening for a ride," he said, with easy impudence.

She started, but he was forced to admire the way she gripped herself.

"Yes," she said with apparent unconcern. "It is a very pleasant evening."

The car came almost at once. Evidently it had been waiting for the word. One glance at the driver as it came up showed Durrant that he was her confederate, and not an ordinary chauffeur.

"I still have the revolver in my hand," she said in an undertone, strangely at variance with her smile. "I don't want to fire as it would spoil my coat. It is a good coat."

"It is an excellent coat, but in any case you wouldn't be so imbecile as to shoot here, even if the revolver is loaded, which I doubt."

"How did you get out?" she asked, still in the manner of one holding a casual conversation.

"I'll tell you if you tell me how you got *into* the suite."

"Simple. I took an impression of the chambermaid's key a day or so ago, while she was in my own room. It was a master key, you know, and opens all the rooms."

"Good!" he smiled. "I walked out through the window and along the balcony to my own room. But your car waits. There is only one thing I regret in this affair—at least as far as you have had a part in it."

"Yes?" she mocked.

"I shall be denied the privilege of seeing you wearing the pearls." He noticed that her chauffeur was glancing anxiously towards them; the man's nerves were evidently jumpy.

"You fool!" she said sharply. "Do you think I'm going to *wear* them! They're worth seven thousand!"

"They aren't," he smiled. "The originals may be, but they are probably with Mr. Swayne's bankers. I knew that the ones you have were fakes the moment I felt them. Excellent fakes, of course, but worth nearer seven than seven thousand. Good-night. A pleasant journey."

And with a smile he turned back through the revolving doors, leaving her on the steps of the hotel.

H. H.

On His Last Legs!

BY STAN TERRY

ACTOR: "I am famed, laddie, for being able to get right into the skin of a part"
MANAGER: "Good! You'll do for the back legs of the cow in my forthcoming pantomime"

The Camera Goes Out with

AFTER THE SHOOT *Photopress*

Members of the shoot given by Colonel W. Selby-Lowndes at Whaddon Hall, Bletchley, with some of the bag. The group shows Mr. R. Selby-Lowndes (left), Sir William Coats Cross, Miss E. Greenlees, Colonel W. Selby-Lowndes, Sir Hercules Langrishe, Capt. Musgrave-Hall, Miss D. Selby-Lowndes and Capt. Dubberley

A SPORTING ENGAGEMENT *L.N.A.*

Mr. Laurence Kimball with his fiancée, Miss Joan Ratcliffe, at a shoot over Miss Ratcliffe's estate, Stanford Hall, near Loughborough. Mr. Kimball is an American by birth

A RESTFUL MOMENT *L.N.A.*

Lady Watson and Captain Tyrington enjoying a well earned easy during the morning's work. The photograph was taken at Miss Ratcliffe's shoot at Stanford Hall

the Guns in Two Countries

IN IRELAND

The Earl of Kingston, Captain Braen and the Marquess of Headfort at Mr. Hum Bland's shoot. It was held at Oakport, near Boyle

MARK OVER *Irish Times*

An expressive study of concentration from Rossmore Park, Monaghan. The photograph shows Lord and Lady Kilmorey at the shoot recently given by Lord Rossmore

IN THE OPEN *Irish Times*

Sir T. Stafford waiting for the birds to put in an appearance at the shoot recently given by Mr. Hum Bland at Oakport, Boyle. His dog "Spruce" obviously means business

READY FOR THEM *Irish Times*

Lord Rossmore getting busy whilst his loader stands by ready to render "first aid" in the vital question of rapid reloading. The photograph was taken at Lord Rossmore's shoot at Rossmore Park, Monaghan

PARISIANA

By "Rene"

Illustrations by MARCEL PONCIN

"Feeling much sympathy for the lot of the father"

Mes Amis—

A dot, we have all been instructed with much firmness, has no magnitude. But there are dots and *dots*. The *dots* with which we over here have the greatest familiarity possess not merely magnitude, but a movable magnitude. Some little while ago it was observed—with tears—that they possessed the regrettable capacity to shrink, a very disagreeable discovery for the *jeunes filles* who had to count mainly on their *dots* for the securing of an eligible husband.

As rapidly as the franc slumped, so did the value of the *dot* shrivel up, which was most unfortunate for the *demoiselles*. The cruel young eligibles, being rare on the market and acquainted with all the economics of supply and demand, would not be satisfied with hearts of gold, but voiced requests for *dots* of gold, looking altogether askance at quotations *en francs papier*. Business in the marriage market was so severely menaced that some parents reluctantly had to adopt *coefficient deux* and double the *dot*.

I remember feeling much sympathy for the lot of the father of a charming *demoiselle* who had a *dot* of a million francs. This *très amiable* gentleman is one of those golfers who have been accidentally accorded a handicap of twenty-two, and ever since then he has been struggling, by means of lots of lessons and more practice, to maintain an accord between handicap and score. Yet, in the days when a million francs meant very substantial wealth, he did not lack for excellent partners. Efficient young swishers with single-figure handicaps were prepared to demonstrate with limitless patience how to save a stroke near the green by a clever touch with the mashie, Mademoiselle having a fondness for accompanying her father.

And then the partners began to get scarce. It was not that Mademoiselle had contracted postman's knock in the knees or any sort of physical defect. It was all because that million francs had ceased to look so wonderful, and thus appeared an insufficient reward for a lifetime's agony of mashie-shot demonstration. Lately, however, I have observed that Monsieur is always surrounded by one-figure men, proffering themselves as partner-instructors . . . With the bound in the franc, the million and Mademoiselle have come to look eminently desirable.

Blanche Montel, to whom the attention of Bystander readers was drawn some two years ago as the *comedienne* of the future, is gracefully fulfilling our predictions, and in *Mademoiselle Jockey* at the Potinière has shown that there are not many men who can now outclass her on the Paris stage. As the *jeune fille sportive* of a racing play, Mlle. Blanche is ideally cast, for, along with Mlle. Fanny Heldy, of the Opéra, she is at the head of the women riders of France, and was among those who were very much disappointed when the French Jockey Club refused to authorise women to ride at race meetings.

In the play there is temporary consolation for her, as she rides the real winner of the big race, the horse first home having been

Observe their shrinking dots with tears.

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RUGGER REACTIONS

VARSITIES AND COUNTIES

By "PENDARVES"

I WONDER how many of the eminent gentlemen who wrote so scathingly of the Oxford 1926 side in their match with the London Scottish have ever played six hard Rugby games in twelve consecutive days? And these on heavy grounds, generally under rain. If they ever have they might have remembered what this means, and have tempered their pens with tolerance accordingly. It is a fearful ordeal for any side, especially for one that is approaching its crucial test and strain. There is no doubt that Oxford played distressingly badly against the Scottish. But too much football in too few days was, I feel sure, the reason more than anything else.

We are now within a week of the Varsity Match—next Tuesday in fact—and on the form recently shown by the Dark Blues it seems a walk through for the Light. But do not be too sure. "A reasonable amount of fleas is good for a dog; it keeps him from brooding over being a dog." Well, Oxford has had a reasonable amount of fleas (criticism of an adverse kind) and will, unless I do not know the Oxford University temperament at all, emerge from beneath the West Stand at Twickenham next Tuesday a very grim and determined side, with everything to gain and little to lose—and you will see a better game, my masters, than you anticipate. That they will lose seems likely, but not by so very much, I predict. Cambridge, who have enjoyed all the public limelight so far, and not undeservedly, have once or twice shown in their exhibitions in public sudden and ominous signs of weakness. Oxford strikes me as a team likely, on the big occasion, to take swift and relentless advantage of any such sign. And then the fun will begin. In any case, the Varsity match, whatever the prophets say beforehand (and we know very little, as history has so often proved), is always a thriller of the very best kind. And no reasonable man, or woman, wants more than that at a Rugby match.

Watch the working of the Cambridge halves, Sobey and Lewis; the run and swerve of Rowe Harding; the work of Barlow, the skipper, and young Wakefield in the pack. H. P. Jacob will catch your eye largely in the Oxford three-quarter line; Macdonald, the scrum half, will also be seen doing some clever things at great speed. But it will be upon the heavy Oxford forwards, under the dominant personality of Abell, their captain, that the issue of the day will hang if the ground is heavy, as it probably will be. I am not in the least impressed by the fact that against the Scottish this excellent set of forwards packed high and were continually shoved off the ball. They were tired men that day, fed to the teeth with too much footer. They will be neither next Tuesday.

An eminent pen has been lamenting of late the lack of interest shown by players and spectators alike in county Rugby as played in and around London. He says that players (in the days when *he* was a county player) used to feel a real pride in the doings of their county; and that there used to be *esprit de corps*: that there is none now.

While deploring this fact, I cannot see why there *should* be any particular keenness on these "county" games. One puts county in inverted commas because, in metropolitan Rugger anyhow, it has become a word only. In the last few years we have seen Irish, Welsh, and Scottish Internationals turning out for Surrey and Middlesex, and there you have the whole thing in a nutshell.

Their county qualifications simply mean that they happen for the moment to be domiciled therein, or playing for their club therein. So long as you desire to keep the County Championship a *real* county championship, it is obviously wrong, when Surrey is battling with Middlesex, to have a couple of red-stockinged threequarters on the one side, called respectively Jock Macdougaltavish and Andra Sutherland; and, on the other, two fighting forwards by name Timothy O'Brien and Patrick O'Flaherty.

Also, these games are played on a mid-week day, when men find it frightfully difficult to get away from their jobs—spectators, very properly, make no attempt to, except the idle rich. Furthermore, what man, picked for the Harlequins against the old enemy Blackheath next Saturday, is going to run the risk of getting crocked on Wednesday, *thereby letting down his side*, in order to win the hollow distinction of playing for a so-called Surrey?

It is in the metropolitan clubs that the *esprit de corps* and the keenness lies; and I submit that this is the best possible thing for the good of the game. The Rugger players of to-day, handling the ball on their Saturdays in the two London counties named, are men who have "come together from all the ends of the earth." Their "county" for the moment is their club. And so it should be.

Sport and General

JUST OVER!

The Harlequins get over in the corner during their recent match with Blackheath at Twickenham. The 'Quins won a keenly fought game by 8 points to nil

THE FOOD OF THE GODS!

"All this in the papers about vitamins and what-nots—a chap can never be sure if he's eating the right food nowadays."

"Never mind, old boy; say Worthington and you'll get the right drink, anyway."

HUNTING NOTES

By
ARTHUR W. COATEN

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Foot-and-Mouth Again

UNFORTUNATELY we have had reason to realise that foot-and-mouth disease is not entirely stamped out, and a recent outbreak in the Shires has caused renewed alarm in hunting circles. Fixtures of the Pytchley, Cottesmore, and other packs have been rearranged in order to avoid the area which has been made a prohibited zone by the agricultural authorities. So far the mischief is not widespread, and we shall be lucky if we get through the season without further outbreaks of the scourge in foxhunting districts. Meanwhile, sport with hounds in the majority of countries continues to be satisfactory. True, there has been too much wet during the past few weeks for the comfort of riders, and the going has become exceedingly deep. Still, this generally means improved scenting conditions, and in any case rain is infinitely to be preferred to fogs and frosts. A pleasant incident last week was the presentation of his portrait to Mr. John Swire by the members and farmers of the Essex Hunt. As the former Joint-Master of the Pack, Mr. Swire was most popular and successful. That splendid veteran of the chase, Lord Lambourne, paid a glowing tribute to his services when formally handing over the picture.

A Ledbury Change

FROM the Ledbury country comes news of changes which are to take effect at the end of the season. On the grounds of expense Major Ian Bullough has made up his mind to retire. He has hunted the country for six seasons, the first three in partnership with Lord Somers. Both to the present M.F.H. and his brother, Sir George Bullough, who carried on the pack for a number of seasons, the followers of the Ledbury are much indebted for services rendered. Naturally a good deal of regret has been caused in the district by Major Bullough's resignation. It is understood that the Hunt Committee have a suitable successor in view, but his identity has not yet been disclosed.

Proposed New Pack

ANOTHER item of news from the same locality is that Colonel Spence-Colby, who for a number of seasons past has been hunting a private pack of foxhounds in South Wales at his own expense, has taken Donnington Hall, near Ledbury. He is anxious to build kennels there and start a two-days-a-week pack for the purpose of hunting the western side of the Ledbury country, which has not been covered recently. There seems no reason why the necessary permission should not be accorded by the Ledbury people. Incidentally, Colonel Spence-Colby's impending departure from South Wales will mean that the country which was formerly known as the Tivyside will be left without a pack of hounds. However, those interested in hunting in this district are hoping to organise a new kennel, and they have already started to search for a sportsman willing to carry on the traditions of sport on the Pembrokeshire borders.

Hunting Books

MORE recently published hunting books call for a brief note. *A Hunting Diary* by the late Capt. N. W. Apperley (Nisbet and Co., 15*s.*), has been edited by Mr. E. D. Cuming, whose introduction to the volume, running into several chapters, gives a vivid sketch of the author and the scenes in which he enjoyed his sport. That redoubtable Welsh foxhunter, Mr. David Davies, tells us in his foreword that Newton Apperley from boyhood's days was an ardent follower of the Chase. He hunted with many packs, but this diary chiefly records his hunting experiences in Wales. As becomes a grandson of "Nimrod," Capt. Apperley had an excellent way of describing a day with foxhounds, harriers, or otterhounds.

Comparatively few of the younger generation of hunting people have read "Scrutator's" *Letters on Hunting*, which was first published in 1852. There is no excuse for them to delay studying this classic of the literature of the Chase, as a second edition has just been published (Philip Allan and Co., 12*s.* 6*d.*). In going through the pages of this West Country M.F.H. one is chiefly impressed by the fact that in many vital respects foxhunting has changed but little in the past seventy years. From the same publishers comes *Country Life and Sport* (10*s.* 6*d.*), by Mr. J. Fairfax Blakeborough. Written in this prolific writer's happiest vein, the book throws a light on old sporting manners and customs and shows an innate enthusiasm for Nature and sport which will be shared by most of its readers. A. W. C.

Elliott and Fry

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A Useful Diary

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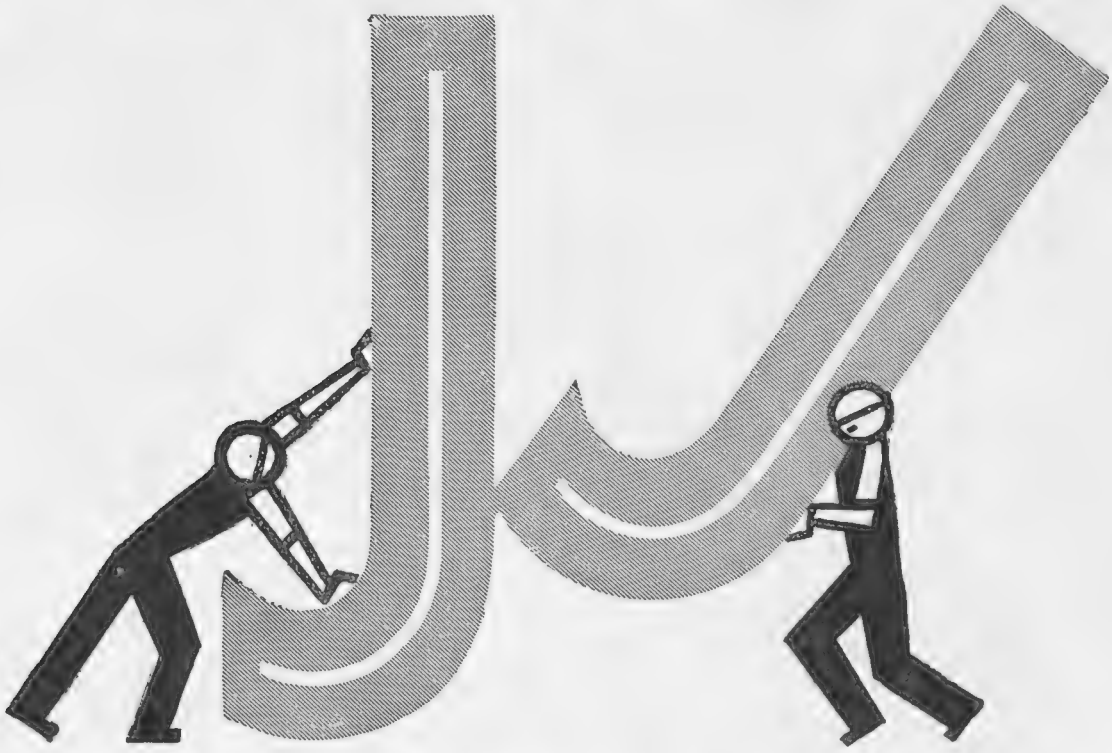

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Sport and General

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Photographs

GETTING DOWN TO IT

A "wall-eye" view of the battle in progress. The Wall Game has been played at Eton every St. Andrew's Day for the last eighty-five years

THE RIVAL CAPTAINS *Topical*

The Colleger and Oppidan captains photographed before the start of the game. The usual large crowd watched the proceedings

RACING NOTIONS

By "CARBINE"

By "The Tout"

SIR WILLIAM FEILDEN
One of the "regulars" of the racing brigade caught in the act of taking down the numbers at a jumps meeting

Bookies and Backers

What the leading professional backers will do if no modification is made in the betting tax I cannot pretend to say. They tell us it will be absolutely impossible for them to carry on. This being so, the biggest bookmakers will have to content themselves with diminished books. Obviously, the thousands wagered by Hannam and other backers of the same type will be missed; but I venture to predict there will still be plenty of betting of a smaller variety. The bookies tell us that all the money in the ring will be eventually drained away by the tax, but they overlook the cardinal fact that there is always fresh money coming into the same. The profits of the bookmakers have never emanated from the professional backers, who always have their cards well marked. It is from the members of the public, most of whom are inelegantly known to the ring as "mug punters," that the money comes. Tax or no tax, there will never be any shortage of people who back their fancies.

Briefly, the duty hits the professional element of racing, but the average racing man is not seriously perturbed by it. In fact, he is curious to know why the bookies are making so much bother about it, seeing that they are passing the whole of the tax on to the backers in one form or another.

Likely Newcomers

It is satisfactory to find that a number of well-known performers on the flat are now being put to hurdle racing. No doubt many more recruits to National Hunt sport will arrive as a result of the big sales at Newmarket this week. Plenty of the horses-in-training to be sold there are suitable for jumping, and supporters of winter racing are sure to be looking out keenly for likely hurdlers. Frank Hartigan, one of those trainers who are busy all the year round, is schooling some smart novices over hurdles. One is Dalmagarry, who at one time was thought to be not far below the classic standard on the flat. Another is Grasmoor, who until lately was in the Manton stable. Hartigan also hopes to do well with Rhyolite.

Lord Glanely's Horses

Lord Glanely continues to give good support to National Hunt racing. Among the horses he has lately selected to be schooled over hurdles Sunderland seems most likely to achieve distinction. He has gone to G. Bennett's stable at Alfriston. We shall see the colours of Lady Curzon of Kedleston over the jumps this winter, as she has decided to allow her useful three-year-old Battleshaft to be schooled for hurdle racing by Walter Nightingall. But, as I pointed out last week, the most promising of all the recruits is Friar Wile. Following the meeting at Windsor, the fixture-list this week-end will be shared by Lingfield and Derby.

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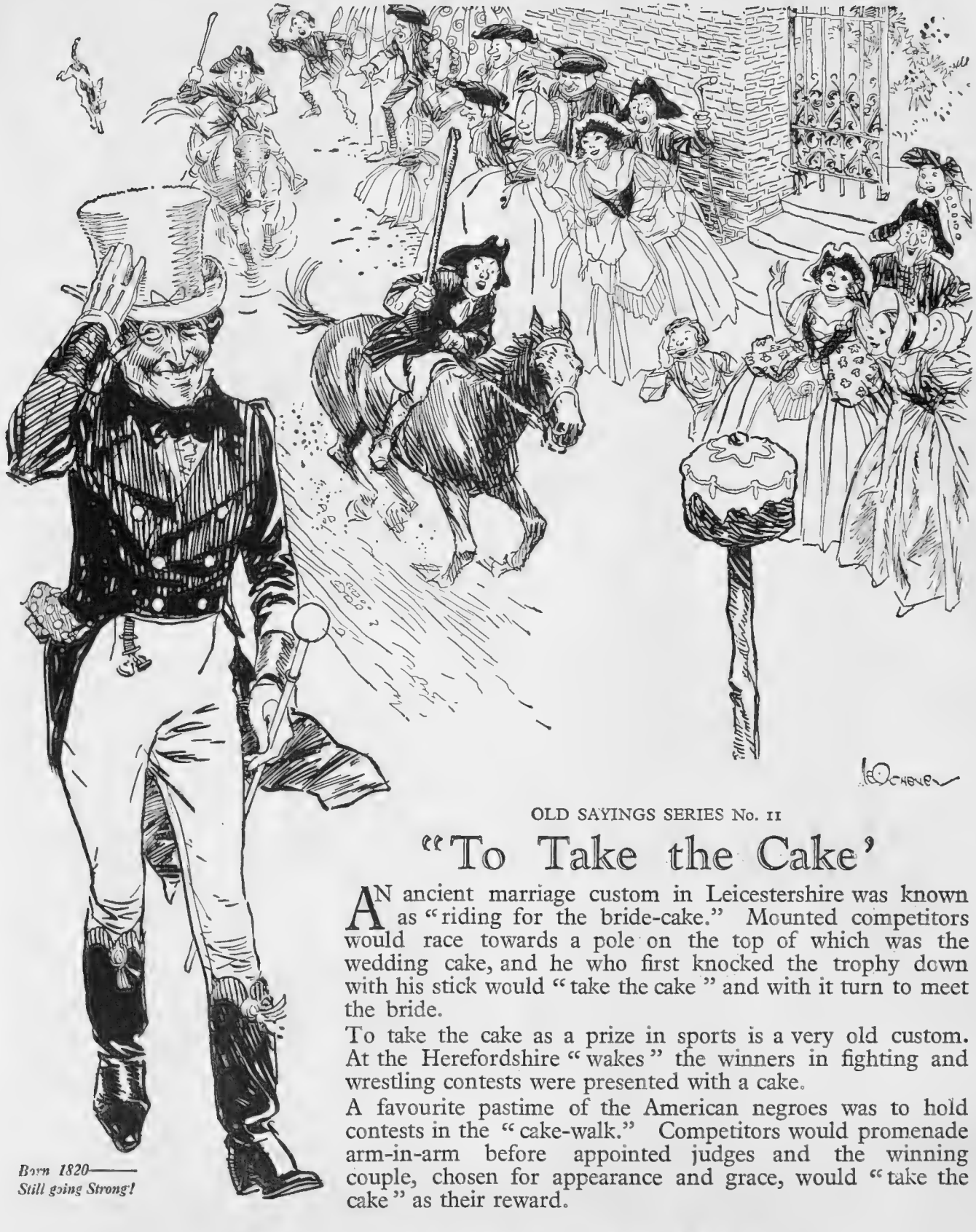

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AN ancient marriage custom in Leicestershire was known as "riding for the bride-cake." Mounted competitors would race towards a pole on the top of which was the wedding cake, and he who first knocked the trophy down with his stick would "take the cake" and with it turn to meet the bride.

To take the cake as a prize in sports is a very old custom. At the Herefordshire "wakes" the winners in fighting and wrestling contests were presented with a cake.

A favourite pastime of the American negroes was to hold contests in the "cake-walk." Competitors would promenade arm-in-arm before appointed judges and the winning couple, chosen for appearance and grace, would "take the cake" as their reward.

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BY GILBERT HOLIDAY

THE MAKING OF THE HORSEMAN

Many horse-lovers who have perforce to live in London have for long sighed for a large and efficient school of equitation near Town, wherein they can master the intricacies of horsemanship. They need sigh no more, however, for the new National School of Equitation by Robin Hood Gate, Richmond Park, affords every facility to those who would become experts in the saddle. The glorious stretches of turf, fresh air and efficient establishment combine to make the school a real boon

A BYSTANDER among the BOOKS

by Ralph Straus

MAJOR HALDANE MACFALL has done a very bold thing. He has written a novel with Omar Khayyam as its hero. Now I do not profess to know how much of the novel is Macfall and how much actual history, but it is altogether a very gorgeous and picturesque experiment to have made, and—it has come off. Too often, I find, this sort of experiment fails because the author is so keen on his background or setting that the story is lost in its magnificent embroidery. In *The Three Students* (Knopf: 7*s.* 6*d.* net), on the other hand, it is the story that comes first — magnificently embroidered, of course, as is proper—but always there, vivid, queerly intriguing, and unexpectedly thrilling throughout.

You see the three youngsters first at the end of their student days: Hassan Sabbah, a sinister fellow asking only for power; Aboo Ali hoping for wisdom; and Omar himself, wanting only a garden, a cup of wine, and—an adorable "thou" in the person of Leela. And these three pledge themselves to share whatever may be theirs in the future. It is one of those rash affairs to which, one supposes, Persian undergraduates have always been prone.

And then the author cunningly shows you how the ex-student who has become master of Persia outwits the rascally Hassan, only, however, with Omar's aid. Omar, to be sure, naturally attempts to escape to his quiet garden and most faithful "thou," but even he is persuaded to take a hand in worldly affairs, and a very successful hand into the bargain.

It is a first-class piece of work. If I were to make any serious criticism it would be to express a wish that Major Macfall had paraphrased the sentences from Fitzgerald's quatrains which he puts into Omar's mouth. On the other hand, I suppose, these are now so widely known that their repetition lends an additional importance to the poet-astronomer's words.

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IT is a jolly story that Mr. T. C. Bridges has to tell in his autobiographical story, *Florida to Fleet Street* (Hutchinson: 21*s.* net). Mr. Bridges has done many things in his day, and when he was a youngster he had no idea that he would become a popular writer of boys' stories and a journalist of distinction. He began business, indeed, in an orange grove, and might still be there but for the weather—I mean, but for a particularly cruel stretch of bad weather which brought widespread ruin in its trail.

Yet the great "freeze" of 1894 was to Mr. Bridges a blessing in disguise. He came to England, bearded the editor of *Answers*, and found that gentleman—it happened to be Mr. Cecil Harmsworth—positively pleased to see him. No wonder, after that, that he made Fleet Street his spiritual home, although he did most of his work in a house hidden away in a corner of Devon.

His book, however, is no mere guide to the newspaper world; it is the plain tale of an adventurous career. Mr. Bridges is a man of many interests. He is sportsman as well as writer. And he gives us delightful pictures of his beloved Devon, stories of the prison on Dartmoor—new stories, by the way—vignettes of some of his many friends, and, incidentally, a little good-humoured satire at the expense of the "high-ups" in Government offices during the War. Altogether, his book is a very pleasing entertainment.

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THERE is something charmingly personal in all Marion Cran's books, and her latest, *The Gardens of Good Hope* (Jenkins: 10*s.* 6*d.* net) is on a par with its predecessors. It is a gracious and very human account of a visit paid to South Africa, and in particular to its gardens, with quaint stories of people and places, and a little philosophy, and a word here and there on animal pets. Incidentally, too, it is a record of good work done.

You do not have to be much of a gardener to enjoy Mrs. Cran's books, for, although she is occasionally in the mood to be technical, she is never guilty of writing anything that could be mistaken for a manual. Here, at any rate, she is introducing you to a series of little paradises, and wholesale migration should assuredly follow amongst her readers. And, as if her light-hearted text was not sufficient in itself, there are nearly a score of gorgeously beautiful photographs.

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BRIDGE books have a habit of being much the same as each other, but Mr. Manning Foster has certainly left the usual tracks with his *Auction Bridge Dialogues* (Methuen: 3*s.* 6*d.* net), for here instruction is most cunningly combined with amusing entertainment. The nine playlets here printed are of all sorts and descriptions, and so are the players who appear in them. The beginner is catered for equally with the expert. The rash bidder should blush when he finds himself pilloried, and the bridge "criminal," I hope, will lead a better and altogether wiser life after he has heard Mr. Justice Foster on his miserable case. It was a delightful idea to enshrine so much useful information in this agreeable setting, and the little book should have a big success.

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A YEAR ago I drew attention to a wickedly diverting collection of almost unbelievable extracts from American newspapers, and I have just been chuckling over a further collection equally grotesque. *Americana*, 1926 (Hopkinson: 7*s.* 6*d.* net), as edited by Mr. H. L. Mencken, is one of those books which must be read to be believed (if you know what I mean). One realises, of course, that away from the big cities in any part of the world people occasionally express themselves in a curious way, but what is one to say of these ludicrous outbursts that Mr. Mencken's readers have forwarded to him?

Yet they are genuine. Names and addresses, indeed, are always cruelly appended. As before, too, Mr. Mencken heads each item with a delicious little description which adds greatly to one's enjoyment of what follows. I gather that this unusual anthology has been attacked in some pious and 100 per cent. American quarters, and am not surprised; but over here we shall be neither offended nor shocked, only amazed and amused. It is a book to dip into at odd moments when you are feeling a little depressed.

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YEARS ago Mr. Maurice Baring used to give us delightful little dramas about ancient historical figures as they might have been had they been living to-day, and a year ago Mr. John Erskine went one step further and wrote *The*

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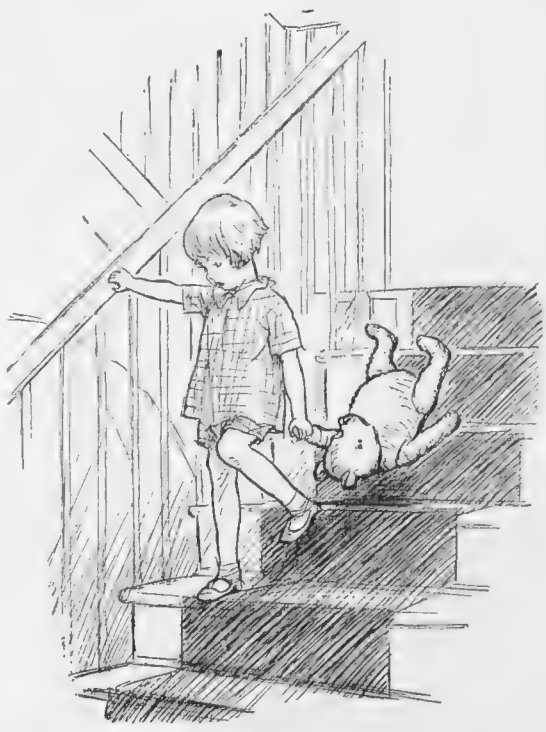

HEAVY GOING

Winnie-the-Pooh finds that a staircase has its disadvantages, especially when you descend it on your back. The drawing is one of E. H. Shepard's delightful illustrations to "Winnie-the-Pooh," by A. A. Milne, an exhibition of which is being held at the Sporting Gallery, 32, King Street, Covent Garden, until December 21

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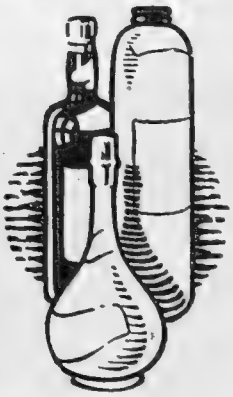

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Private Life of Helen of Troy in much the same manner. It was all delightfully done, and thoroughly deserved its success. And now he has made a second experiment which seems to me to be equally happy. *Galahad* (Nash and Grayson: 7*s.* 6*d.*), it is true, only gives "enough of his life to explain his reputation," but the story of his father, Sir Lancelot, obviously the Valentino of his day, is given in detail, and Queen Guinevere is sufficiently in the limelight.

It is easy to make fun of these old legendary figures, but Mr. Erskine is never satisfied merely to do that. He takes some old story, applies modern standards of manners and morals, and examines the result. And so we see Lancelot as a very nice fellow placed in difficult situations, Guinevere doing her best to live up to the heroic plane, and Galahad much too priggish to be anything but a bore. The whole thing has been done very well—Arthur, in particular, is delicious—and we will hope that Mr. Erskine will continue his researches. Hercules, perhaps, would make an admirable Nero or Hamlet. R. S.

A NOVEL CHALLENGE TROPHY

The first competition for the Swiss Silver Curling Stanes Challenge Trophy, shown above, takes place during Christmas week at Flimo-Wildhaus, and during subsequent weeks at five other Swiss centres. Full particulars of the competition, which is expected to attract keen interest among curlers, may be obtained from "Curler," 2, Jason Court, London, W.1. The trophies are on view at Messrs. Dickins and Jones, Ltd., Regent Street, W.1

Christmas Cards and Calendars

This year the selection of Christmas cards and calendars is very large. All the big firms have made special efforts, and they have produced such a quantity of attractive designs that the choice of Christmas cards threatens to be made difficult by the variety offered.

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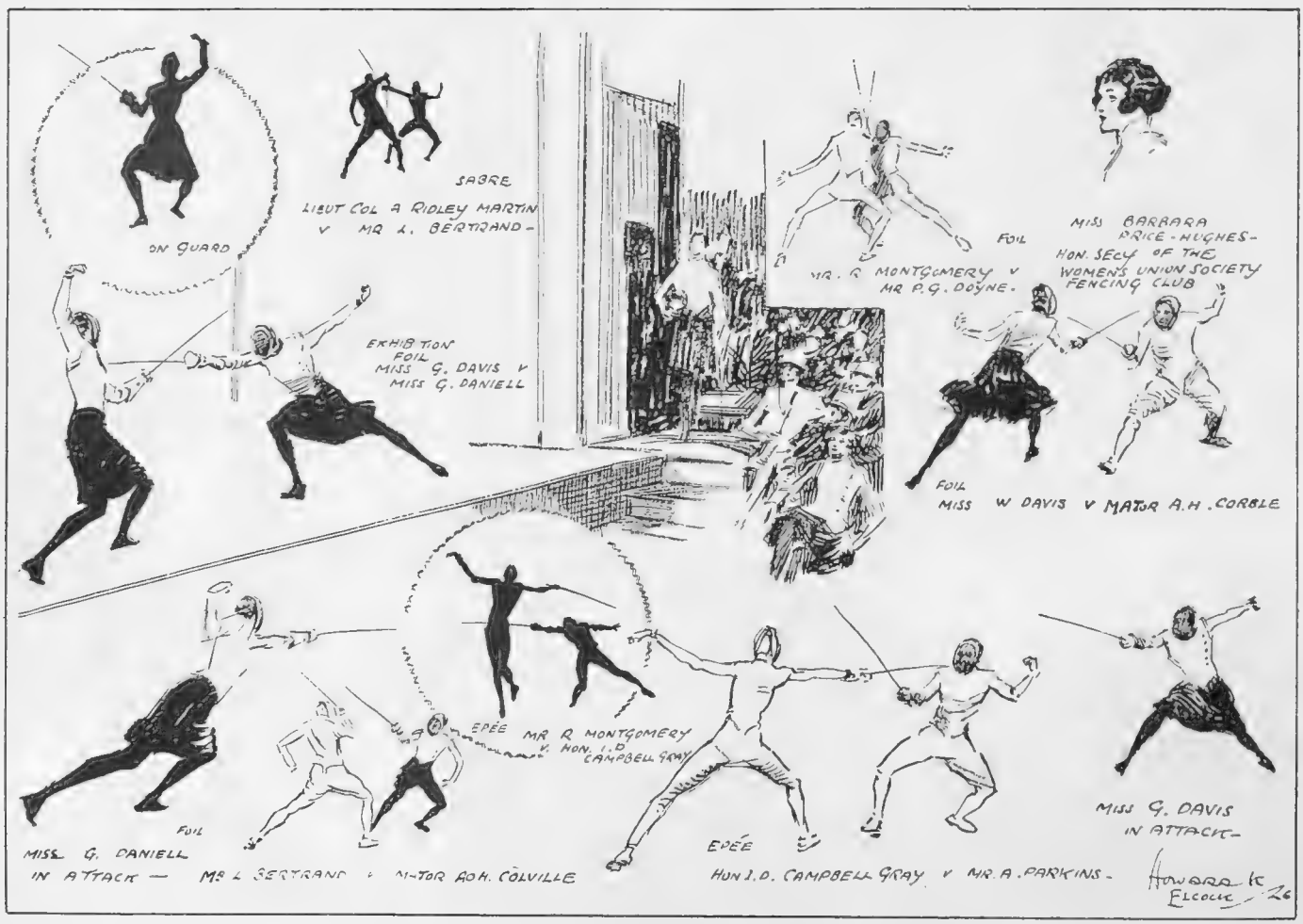

UP IN ARMS

By Howard K. Elcock

Our artist's impressions of the Inaugural Demonstration of the Women's Union Society Fencing Club, recently founded by Miss Barbara Price-Hughes. Held in the Botanical Theatre of London University College, many well-known champions gave exhibitions of sabre, foil, and épée play

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INFERENCES FROM BIDDING

By A. E. MANNING FOSTER

In the previous two issues of The Bystander I have dealt with simple inferences and deductions to be drawn from the bidding which enable the player to place the cards and count the hands. I shall now carry the thing a stage further and try to show how the process of deduction assists a player in rebidding his hand when on the actual face value of the cards he holds, he does not appear to have a reasonable rebid.

If you watch successful players you will at times be amazed by their extraordinary second- or third-round bids. They will jump suddenly into a bid that on the cards they hold seems wild or foolish. But, lo! and behold, Dummy goes down, and the bid proves to be the best possible call for the joint hands.

"How amazingly lucky!" you say.

But it is not really a matter of luck at all. It may be, and generally is, a well-reasoned and logical deduction from the previous bidding.

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Often it happens that in the bidding one hand is marked unmistakably as short or bare in a particular suit. The alert player immediately asks himself "With what suit or suits is the hand filled out?"

To make the matter clear take this case: Z deals and bids one Spade, holding—S.—A, Q, 7, 5, 2. H.—J, 10, 9, 3. D.—None. C.—K, Q, 10, 8. A bids "Two Hearts"; Y, "Three Diamonds"; B, "No bid." What can Z do? He hates the three Diamonds. But it is evident his partner does not like Spades, and therefore he must either pass or bid "Three No Trumps," which would be extremely risky. That is how the average player would argue. But now reason it out a little more closely. It is evident by Y's bid (1) That he has not three Spades. He may have two, but it is quite likely that he has only one. (2) He cannot have many Hearts as Z has four and A must have five at least. What, then, can Y have besides Diamonds? He must have Clubs, and it is quite likely that he holds four Clubs.

Arguing on such lines Z bids four Clubs. This is denying the Diamonds, and it proves to be the only game-going declaration in the two hands.

This is no manufactured situation, but a hand from play where intelligent deduction proved a game winner.

Don't, I pray and beseech you, get this wrong, and say that Manning Foster recommends a bid of four Clubs on King, Queen, 10, 8. Remember the context and the whole hand and the process of reasoning. Of course, you may say that Z's inferences might have been incorrect. Y might have had quite a different hand. Suppose he held eight Diamonds, one Spade, two Hearts, and only two little Clubs. Well, in that case, of course, he should have taken out the four Clubs into four Diamonds. But that is not the right way to look at the matter. The correct process is to deduce from the bidding the probable and sometimes almost certain holding of your partner.

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Take this example: Z, "One Heart"; A, "One Spade"; Y, "Three Hearts"; B, "Three Spades." Z holds: S.—8, 5, 4, 2. H.—A, K, J, 6, 2. D.—K, 3. C.—A, 4. What can Z deduce? (1) It is practically certain that Y has no Spades at all. A and B must hold nine Spades between them, and as Z has four, Y can have none. (2) By the pre-emptive raise Y must have at least four and probably five Hearts, which means that one of the adversaries is short or bare in the suit. (3) Supposing Y has no Spades and five Hearts, what are his other eight cards? Obviously in Diamonds or Clubs. If he hold a winner in either suit Z's game is certain. Z can therefore safely go to four Hearts and even five if four Spades are declared against him. Easy enough when it is set down in black and white, isn't it? And yet only recently I saw this actual case occur. Z failed to bid "Four Hearts" because, as he explained, "I held four losing Spades and therefore did not like to go on."

MUSIC IN MONTE CARLO

The famous Square in front of the Casino on a December morning.

Only a keen expert and a fervent devotee to music could possibly have mapped out the very eclectical programme which is offered this Season at MONTE CARLO, and which opened on Wednesday, November 17th, with the first Classical Concert, under the baton of M. Léon Jéhin, the most popular and well-known Orchestra leader on the Riviera.

We shall have no fewer than twenty-one Classical Concerts and almost as many Modern ones, which will take place every Wednesday and Friday respectively at 3 p.m. in the Casino Theatre; while each Saturday afternoon is reserved for a Symphony Concert, under the direction of M. Marc-César Scotto.

Apart from this, the famous Recitals and Chamber Music Productions, to which Members of the International Sporting Club are invited and admitted gratuitously, will start in January, the first Chamber Music Performance taking place on Monday, January 24th, and the first Recital on Friday, the 28th of the same month.

The most talented artistes have been engaged and will be heard all through the Winter Season. Famous Violinists, reputed Pianists, whose names are all sufficient to attract lovers of music as honey attracts flies, celebrated 'Cellists, the best known and appreciated Quartets, while at certain of these concerts some very good singers will be heard.

A special and delightful affair will be the Recital for two pianos which will be given on the 4th of April, with Messrs. Jean WIENER and Clément DOUCET as virtuosi.

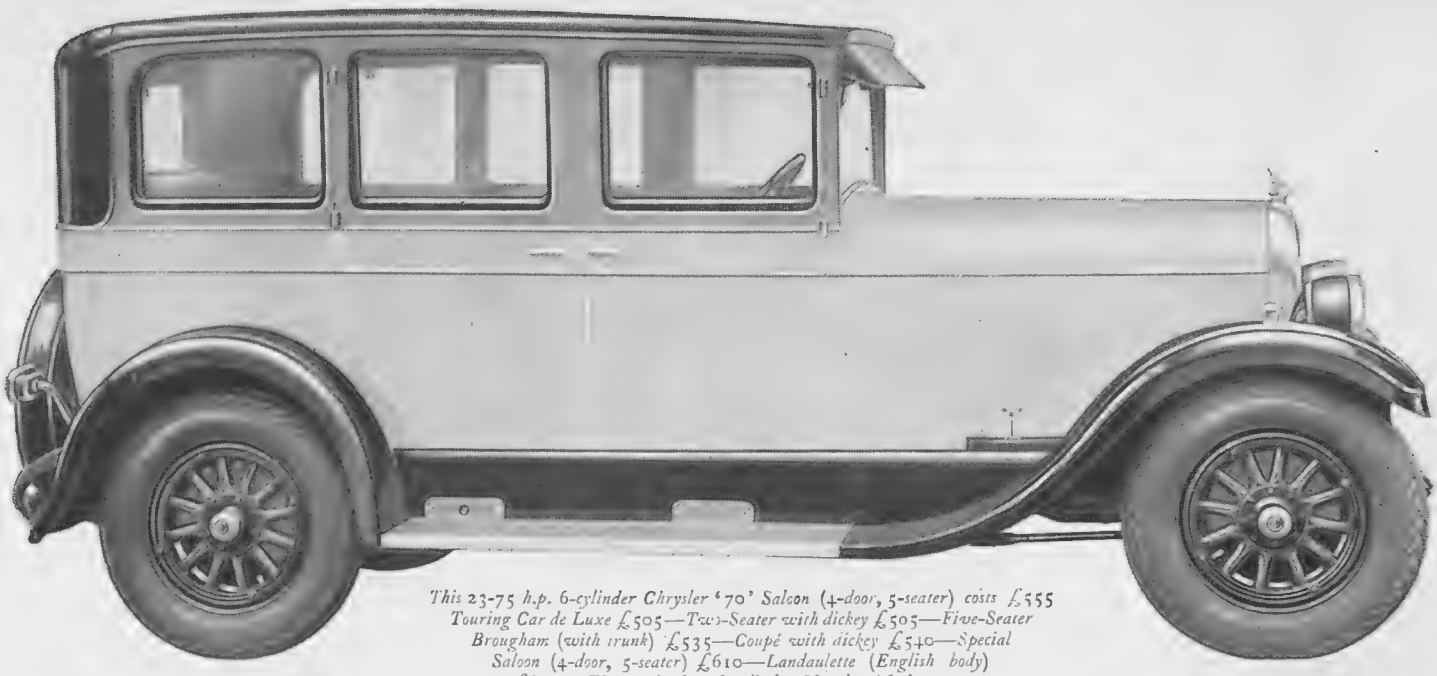
The great feature of this attractive Musical Tournament will be the coming of the different renowned Orchestra Leaders in Europe, who are to allow us to judge and appreciate their various ways of conducting the best trained Orchestra in the World, that of MONTE CARLO. The first of these regales will be the one led by the local and much admired Composer and Director of the Monegascan School of Music, M. Louis ABBIATE, which takes place on the 10th of December and which will be devoted to his works; then on the 29th of the same month, M. Philippe GAUBERT, who created such a sensation here last Winter, will conduct; but, of course, what will prove of the greatest interest to our English Guests will be to learn that Sir Landon RONALD, who is such a conspicuous figure in British Musical circles, is coming over to the Principality to lead the Grand Classical and Modern Concert which will take place on Wednesday, January 12th. Sir Landon RONALD, who had the honour of appearing before the late Queen Victoria in 1897 at Windsor Castle, and again in 1898 at Balmoral, was connected with Madame Melba's triumphal tour in America in 1894, when he conducted all the Operas in which this wonderfully gifted artist sang. He is an excellent and famous composer; his Variations on a Personal Theme are exquisitely melodious. All these details are well known to lovers of music residing in or visiting Monte Carlo, and there is not one of them who will not appreciate the effort made by the Direction of the Casino to afford them the refined pleasure of listening to a musical entertainment directed by Sir Landon RONALD.

On Wednesday, February 2nd, M. Pierre MONTEUX is coming over to conduct the Grand Classical and Modern Concert. His fame is so world-wide that it is unnecessary to introduce him to the ever-appreciative audience which haunts the Casino Concert Room.

M. Léon JEHIN, who apart from the prominent position he holds as Leader-in-Chief of the MONTE CARLO ORCHESTRA is also Chapel-Master to H.S.H. the Prince of Monaco, is to hold the baton on the occasion of the Grand Festival, held in honour of Beethoven's Centenary, on Wednesday, March 16th.

Then M. Paul PARAY, of "Paris Garde Républicaine" fame, will be the attraction of the Grand Classical and Modern Concert which will be given on Wednesday, April 6th, which he is certain to lead in his own powerful and masterly manner.

Monte Carlo Theatre: Prince of Monaco's private entrance.



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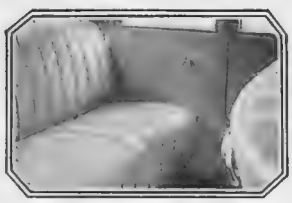

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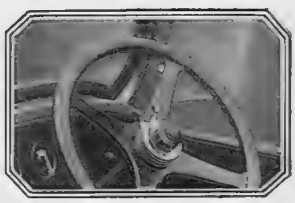

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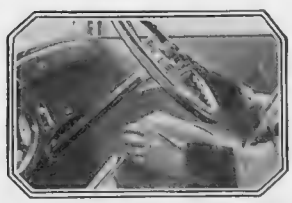

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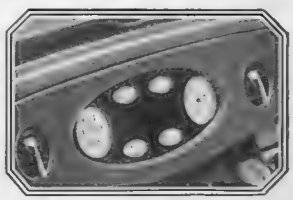

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"Miss Viola in the Pond"

An amusing incident in the life of a very charming lady revealed by

LADY TREE, O.B.E.

THE following story was told to me by Lady Tree. Its rich humour is characteristic of one of the most charming personalities of our time. During the lifetime of Sir Herbert Beerbohm Tree, Lady Tree's charm and talent made an admirable support for his great career. That same charm and talent still keeps Lady Tree in the forefront of famous personages to-day.

"When I was a small child (oh! what ages ago!) there was a soothing balm for aches and bruises called 'Pomade Divine,' only to be found in the best nurseries. When I myself acquired a nursery, I wanted to call in my old friend 'Pomade Divine.' But I found that a mother is but herself a child under the iron rule of nurse. And I was soon made to know that there existed but one remedy for all the little aches and pains of childhood: *Pond's*. After that, bottles of *Pond's Extract* were kept always at hand."

"One day, my five year old Viola came to grief on the gravel of our three acre Hampstead garden. Her knees were badly grazed, and I rushed to the house shouting, 'Miss Viola—pond—quick, quick!' Six maids rose as one man crying, 'Miss Viola's in the pond. Help! help!' and they all rushed madly from the house. 'No, no,' I cried, vainly trying to stem the torrent, 'Extract, Extract.' 'We'll extract her mum, alright, if so be she is still alive,' cheerfully cried the gardener, dashing off with a ladder and rope. I was left alone to find my precious bottle of *Pond's Extract*, and soothe little Viola. When the would-be rescuers returned they persisted in regarding the incident as a merciful escape of Viola, and added one more to the laurels of *Pond's Extract*."

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"Sometimes when I look back," continued Lady Tree, "it seems to me our girls grow more lovely. The modern girl has many critics among the old generation I know, but I am not one of them. I think it is delightful to see them as they move about our cities, alert and athletic, with clear healthy complexions. I think much of this must be due to *Pond's Two Creams*, and I am pleased to hear so many of my young friends speak enthusiastically of them. I think they are so much better than all those elaborate so-called beauty parlours which some women seem to think so necessary to their existence."

Maud Tree

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MANNERS AND MILLENNIUMS

By "CANDIDA"

LAST night, in a charming room of grey and blue and silver, with the hostess wearing the *dernier cri* in blue velvet pyjamas and chinchilla in the proper places, we were discussing the Millennium. It wasn't the right background for such talk. To be really in love with the idea one must be thoroughly uncomfortable. But when everything's delightful to look at, with the faint scent of December roses in the air, the pleasant crackle of logs in the newest hearth that ever disgraced an ancient mantelpiece and oneself half buried in velvet cushions, one's not so certain that all is for the worst in the worst of all possible worlds. I like to think of the coming Millennium when I'm shopping for Christmas on a dripping day, and everybody else is doing it too; when there's nothing nice to buy, and no one, incidentally, to buy it off; when I've had to hustle to Victoria Station in the rush hour, or I'm faced with a sheet of foolscap and haven't an idea in the world.

BUT from the depths of blue and silver cushions one isn't often downright in one's opinions. When the world (in blue and grey and silver) is such a nice, civilised place it would be a thousand pities to have it end in the catastrophes and cataclysms that always precede any decent Millennium. The one we discussed is to rise triumphant out of chaos in 1936, or thereabouts, after eight frightful years of horrors. At least that's how the story goes in the Great Pyramid where all good predictions come from. I'd heard it all before as one hears things without hearing them. But last night they had chapter and verse. The date of the War had been there for all who ran to read years before it happened, and no one had read it. And now there were these other dates, the uncomfortable eight years, that crowning climax faced by us all with the usual apathy! But, apathetic or not, how, I ask you, avert a Millennium? Besides, there were some "fatal" dates predicted for 1926 when nothing more terrible had happened than the falling of the franc. So one rather wondered whether that last dreadful dawn predicted for September, 1936, would be the beginning of great things or—of just another grey autumn day?

MISS EDNA DAVIES

Who will return to the cast of the "Ghost Train" before Christmas. The "Ghost Train" has firmly established itself as a successful "thriller"

"MARGUERITE"

Miss Camilla Horn, who will play Marguerite in the film version of Faust. This will be presented by Charles B. Cochran at the Royal Albert Hall in January

UNSATISFACTORY things, predictions! They give you a crude outline and don't fill in any interesting details, and sometimes even the outline is sketchy. I'm trying to picture our sinless Millennium only ten years hence with eight of them too uncomfortable to repent in at leisure. But, whatever kind it may turn out to be, it won't be the love-one-another sort; not with the world as full as it is of solid hates, of flaming jealousies and dull resentments. What a step it would be in the direction of that universal love ideal if we only

began by being polite to each other! Important enough to have a notch all to itself, if it's notches they go by on the Great Pyramid.

POLITE! I daren't even mention the word when it's considered past praying for to have any manners at all. "Manners are not idle," etc., etc., we wrote in each other's albums at school together with him "who never turned his back." . . . *Si jeunesse savait!* How easily one unlearns later on all that so painfully spoilt the golden years! And manners coming as they did, and still do, from within, outward were not even as easily acquired as one's lessons. They were built on the solid foundation of a character subdued, a nature spiritualised . . . and goodness knows what else. Sheer nonsense it must sound to the people who never answer letters on the principle that they answer themselves, to the ladies who're never in time, even at their own dinner parties and have been known to forget them altogether; to those who are punctually late at all their appointments and if time is money are always helping themselves largely to other people's possessions. But extreme casualness is modern, and modernity, it might have been said, but wasn't, covers a multitude of sins.

OF course I haven't the slightest intention of indicting anything or anyone. Indictments are always cheap, and when they're based on generalisations, which they mostly are, they're absurd. Just as to-day's skirts and things are always much prettier than yesterday's, goodness knows why, so to-day's little habits always seem an advance on those of yesterday. Only, there was this to be said for the manner which was the outward and visible sign of manners: It did to a certain extent camouflage human nature; it cloaked the old Adam and eternal Eve. Under cover of it one had time to look round, to make up one's mind to be less—less primitive, as it were. No wonder that the judges and people are kept busy now that everybody planks down his cards on the table in the first five minutes. "A lady," says a definition I heard the other day, "always remembers others and never forgets herself." If so the species is extinct. *Ou sont les dames d'antan?*

"TWELFTH NIGHT"

A photograph of a scene in "Twelfth Night" as played by the boys of Ellesmere College, Shropshire. The performance added another success to their list of Shakesperean triumphs

SOME of them may survive in Spain, where the grand manner is still current coin, and *noblesse oblige* filters down even to 'bus conductors. Spain, which, incidentally, is the only place in Europe where no one would dream of wearing Spanish shawls and boleros unless they came straight from Paris; where people would as soon, and sooner, stab you as snub you. CANDIDA.

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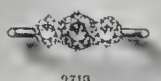

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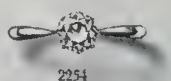

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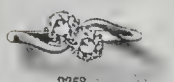

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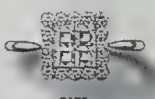

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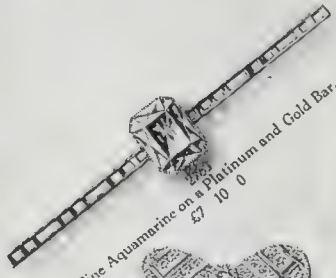

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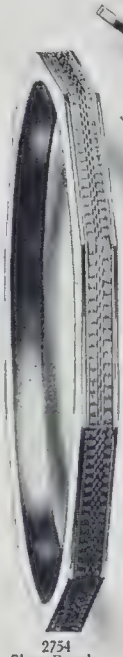

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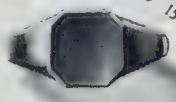

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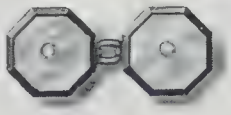

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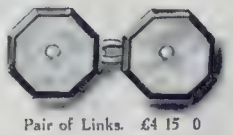

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I explained my wants to him. He understood in a moment and led me to a row of shelves loaded with the jolliest collection of

Books for Boys

"ANNUALS," said the Bookseller, "are a sure stand-by. Now, that young nephew you mention—John his name is, I think, is just the age to enjoy *Chums Annual*. This year it is more interesting than ever, and full of stories by all the favourite *Chums* authors, Frank Shaw, S. Walkey, John Hunter, Wilfred Gavin and the rest. Cassell's, the publishers, are charging 12s. for it. Or, if you want something cheaper, there is Blackie's *Boys' Annual*, at 5s. This is full of tales and drawings that any healthy boy is certain to appreciate."

I bought them both without any hesitation.

"Now," went on the Bookseller, "what about a couple of adventure stories or so for one of the other boys? Blackie's have published their usual selection of these, and here are some I can recommend."

He showed me *The Riddle of the Air*, by Percy P. Westerman, a most thrilling affair, all about a competition between two Great Powers for some aerial inventions; and *The Big Five at Ellerby*, by Richard Bird, one of the jolliest school stories I have seen for a long time. They were cheap at 6s. and 5s. respectively, so I added them to my list. At the same time a new edition of G. A. Henty's story, *Condemned as a Nihilist*, caught my eye and I joyfully paid the modest 3s. 6d. it cost for the pleasure of reading it again.

"If your nephews like historical romances," said the Bookseller, "what about this from Blackie's? It's called *Silas Verney*, by Edgar Pickering, and is a very jolly yarn, set in the days of James II. The price is 3s. 6d. Cheap, isn't it?"

Its attractive cover alone was enough to make me buy it. Young Donald is in for a good time this year, I can see.

"How do you like these boys' books from Chambers?" suddenly observed the Bookseller. "There are two I have picked out. This one, *Over an Unknown Ocean*, by David Ker, is a very good romance indeed, written round the voyages of Vasco da Gama. The cost is 3s. 6d. Or if you think the boy would like an up-to-date story, here is *The Black Triangle*, by Escott Lynn, as thrilling a tale of secret societies and their goings-on as you could wish. Chambers charge 5s. for it."

They were far too attractive to pass over, so I bought them both, inwardly congratulating myself on this easy way of getting through my present buying.

"That seems to have solved the question of what I am to give my two eldest nephews," I said. "Can you help me out over the question of Christmas presents for nieces? They are more difficult to understand than their brothers. I have given them chocolates until their mother has lodged a strong protest."

"Nothing could be simpler," said the Bookseller, leading me to a corner of his shop devoted to

Girls' Books

"THE question of books for girls," said he, "has always had the greatest attention paid to it by Blackie's. Look at these stories, for instance. One of the best writers of girls' stories, Angela Brazil, who has had a number of books published by this firm, is again to the fore this year. Here is one of her latest school stories, *Joan's Best Chum*. The price is 6s."

A glance through the book convinced me that it was an unusually good school story and most attractively illustrated by H. E. Wightman. On the same shelf I saw another story which attracted my attention. This was *Di, the Dauntless*, by Bessie Marchant, also published by Blackie at 5s. The book is all about the adventures of the dauntless Di among the Riffs in Morocco. The excitement is wonderfully well maintained, as I found when I read the book before passing it along to its destination.

"If you are looking for something for a rather younger girl," broke in the voice of the Bookseller, "I can recommend *Bud and Adventure*, by Anne Macdonald. The publishers are Chambers, and it's only half a crown. It is another school story, and, as you may judge from the title, the last thing it lacks is interest.

"Or, if you like, here is another kind of story from the same publishers, Chambers. It is May Baldwin's new book, *Kenya Kiddies*, and is published at 3s. 6d. It tells of the adventures of settlers' children in East Africa. It is sure to be a huge success with some small girl."

I bought both these tales and, becoming more and more interested, asked the Bookseller to show me what books he had which would amuse the tinies who are just beginning to read. His eyes twinkled.

"I was hoping you would ask me that," he said, "because we have such a big and fascinating selection of them. Here are our

Books for the Very Young

"THIS is something quite out of the ordinary, by William Nicholson, whose clever work for the theatre is so well known."

He handed me a gay little book, called *Clever Bill*, in which Mr. Nicholson has let his fancy have free play. *Clever Bill* is worth every penny of the 5s. which Heinemann, the publishers, charge for him.

"Children love *Bo-Peep's Bumper Book*, you know," said the Bookseller. "This years it contains exactly the sort of stories and pictures to amuse the little ones. It is published by Cassell's, and costs 4s. 6d. in cloth and 3s. 6d. in boards. Or, here is a very charming little series of books by Enid Blyton, from Newnes. I should suggest that you take *The Zoo Book*, which tells the youngsters all about animals, and *The Enid Blyton Book of Bunnies*, which is a jolly addition to any nursery bookshelf. The whole set is beautifully produced

"GO CHARGE MY GOBLINS THAT THEY GRIND THEIR JOINTS"

One of Mr. Arthur Rackham's delightful illustrations to the new edition of "The Tempest," published by Heinemann

and illustrated, and the books are only 3s. 6d. each."

The next book to catch my eye was *Everything Easy*, by Lady Cynthia Asquith, published by Jarrolds at 6s. This story, which will thrill any small person, is most beautifully illustrated by A. H. Watson.

"Here is a book for children of all ages," said the Bookseller, "for its beauty will appeal to everyone." He put into my hand *A Road to Fairyland*, by Eve Fay, with an illustration in colour by Arthur Rackham. It is published by Putnam at 5s., and is a very charming collection of stories.

"How about these for small Christmas stockings?" said the Bookseller, handing me two little books of verses from Blackie's. They were called *Children's Verses of Town and Country*, by Hamish Hendry, and *Flower Fairies of the Autumn*, by Cecily Mary Barker. Their delightful verses and illustrations make them just the things for last minute presents, and they are only 2s. and 1s. 6d. respectively.

IN NELSON'S DAYS

An illustration by H. M. Brock to "Powder Monkey Jack," one of the many stories in this year's "Chums" Annual, published by Cassell's

Special Gift Books

"After all this," said I to myself, "I think the time has come for me to treat myself to a book or two."

I found my way, therefore to the collection of special gift books.

Here was such a bewildering array of wholly desirable books that I could scarcely bring myself to leave one for another. The first to delight my eye was an edition of *The Tempest*, published by Heinemann at 21s. This edition is most exquisitely illustrated by Arthur Rackham, and some of the colour plates were the loveliest things of their kind that I have seen. Then there was a most interesting edition of *The Psalms of David*, from Faber and Gwyer, costing 21s., with thirty-two drawings by Frideswith Huddart—a very striking volume.

I was sorely tempted by *Ratcatcher to Scarlet*, written by Cecil Aldin and illustrated with a large collection of his delightful sketches. The publishers are Eyre and Spottiswoode and the price 25s.

"Here is something for lovers of a little nonsense," said the Bookseller, coming to my side with two most amusing books.

The first was *Further Nonsense in Verse and Prose*, by Lewis Carroll, with illustrations by H. M. Bateman, a unique combination of talents. The book has been edited by Langford Reed, and published by T. Fisher Unwin at 7s. 6d. It is a sheer joy. The other book, if not exactly nonsensical, is particularly entertaining. Its title, *The London Scene*, gives a good idea of its contents, and the author and illustrator are Lewis Melville and Aubrey Hammond. Faber and Gwyer publish it at 12s. 6d.

A Book of Beauty, by Hugh Cecil (Allan, 21s.), a collection of photographs of beautiful women of the day, and *The Prince of Wales's African Book* (Hodder and Stoughton, 7s. 6d.) are both of special interest in their separate spheres.

The last book I added to my list was one of those attractive publications which Partridge's send out. This particular one was *The Treasure Ship*, costing 6s. Its "cargo" is contributed by a band of the most interesting writers and artists of the day.

"Well, sir," said the Bookseller, "what do you think of this way of buying presents?"

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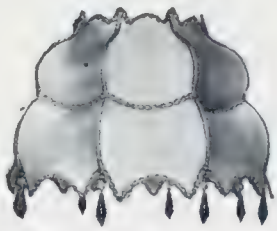

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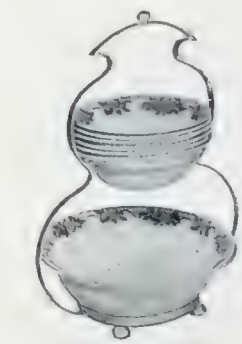

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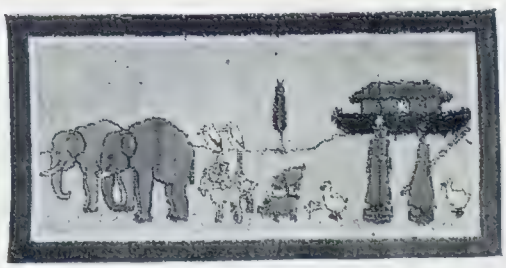

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What to Do About Distemper

By "THE KENNELMAN"

It's odd how coincidence, or telepathy, or something, times these matters. Two correspondents, one in the Punjab and the other in Southern India, write expressing surprise that more is not known in England of the Australian Terrier, whose popularity seems to be growing rapidly in the East, as well as Down Under. Low-set, compact, muscular, very active, and weighing six to eight pounds in its miniature classes and ten to fourteen pounds in its standard and working varieties, this straight-haired wiry-coated Terrier is described as a real sportsman, whose appearance gains distinction from a top-knot (generally silvery) not unlike the Dandy Dinmont's.

"What is the best you can tell us to do about this deadly canine scourge (Distemper) in the meantime, while waiting for the upshot of the research now being done in pursuit of causes and cures?" It's a stiffish question to answer in few words, but to be going on with I'd say: investigate the new cure, Kanakea, and send along whatever sub. you can afford to help the Research Fund. It's needed. Next, call in professional assistance—the best canine specialist among near-by Vets.—on *first suspicion* of indications; don't delay, for an hour's wait now may easily mean a week's prolongation later. Intelligent nursing is the most important part of treatment and cure in all doggy sickness, and more so in distemper than in other trouble. It must be sustained and consistent—the "when convenient" attitude is hopeless—and prefaced and directed by correct diagnosis. The two chief dangers are delay in recognition of first symptoms, and over-haste in the easing off of treatment as the patient recovers. Drooping melancholy, loss of appetite, running at nose and/or nostrils, foul tongue, rising temperature are among the commonest first symptoms. Your veterinary adviser can tell you of various anti-distemper inoculations, and your own common sense will warn you against allowing your Dogs to hobnob with strange Dogs in public, for the germ of the pest is cruelly easy to pick up. For the rest, I'd say as good a tip as any is: Consult Middleton and Payne, of 76, New Bond Street. They are the discoverers of Kanakea—in itself a big thing—and the printed upshot of their researches into the causes and treatments of the different forms of distemper, bronchial, gastric, etc., has real practical value. By all means write to or call at 76, New Bond Street; it's worth it.

"An old fancier who reads you closely" writes to say that: "Though our Kennel Club is probably the most efficient central doggy organisation in the world, the general run of our specialist clubs and canine societies might well do a deal more than they do along practical lines for British Dogdom, as, for instance, in arranging tests, trials, and special competitions that make Dog Shows really attractive to the outside public. Why don't you get after the secretaries, and make 'em get busy?—for they mostly mean well." Well, here's one suggestion for those who stand to be shot at. Every club secretary in this country ought to obtain the addresses of all the leading oversea Dog clubs, societies, etc., and circularise them with lists of names and addresses of his own members and best breeders in his own fancy. The British Dog-lover in foreign parts is constantly wanting to buy and import a Dog from home, for breeding purposes or other reasons. Perhaps it must in any case be a bit of a gamble, but at least it would be a far more attractive gamble if his local doggy organisation could be relied on to furnish the addresses of the leading home breeders in his particular variety.

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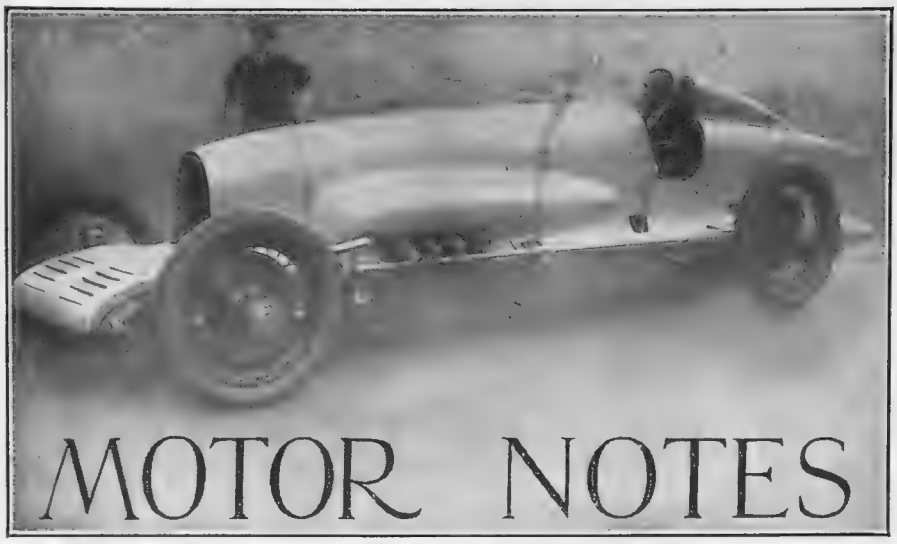

MOTOR NOTES

A MARVEL OF STREAMLINING

Captain Malcolm Campbell in his latest racing car, the Napier-Campbell, with which he hopes to reach a speed of three miles a minute. The car was built by the Robinhood Engineering Works

THREE miles a minute! Such is the terrific speed contemplated by Capt. Malcolm Campbell on his Napier engined racing car, which he showed me recently at his fifteenth-century home, Povey Cross. The Napier-Campbell, which is fitted with a 450 h.p. Napier-Lion aero engine, is undoubtedly the most remarkable car in the world, and certainly the most expensive. It has been under construction for two years at a cost amounting to £9,000. Owing to the need for extreme strength nearly all its components are hand made. The chassis members are constructed of specially tested steel, the result of lengthy experiments by this country's finest metallurgists. The main members are immensely strong, and are crossed-braced with sturdy steel tie-rods on the aeroplane principle. Each bolt has been tested for stress and nothing left to chance. The gear box, designed by Mr. Joseph Maina, is on the epicyclic principle, a new feature for racing cars, and is said to have cost as much as £850. The 450 h.p. Napier engine has a direct drive, and is fitted into the chassis in the reverse way to which it is used in an aeroplane. Capt. Campbell calculates that at 2,000 revolutions per minute it will give him sufficient speed to enable him to break the record he covets. The minimum speed of the car on top gear is approximately 60 miles per hour.

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SPECIAL attention has been paid to streamlining, and experts have gone to the extent of fitting a new type of disc to the Rudge-Whitworth wheels, which incidentally have three separate sets of spokes. These discs are calculated to abolish the eddies which create a suction under the chassis when the car is travelling at high speed. I understand the car is going down to the Pendine Sands very shortly, for Capt. Campbell is extremely anxious to be the first in the field in an attempt to obtain the prodigious speed aimed at. Every racing motorist will agree that his effort is fraught with danger, but providing the car performs to the schedule of theory embodied in its design and the tyres hold out there is no reason to believe that the intrepid driver will not succeed.

It is estimated that the car will need three miles to gain its top speed, and another four miles will be necessary to bring it to a stop. It should take exactly 20 seconds to complete the mile measured by electric tapes.

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MOTORISTS have been complaining bitterly about the recent fogs which completely paralysed traffic. It will be remembered that the King's chauffeur lost his way while driving His Majesty in the area of Staines. Although there are actually very few days of the year in which thick fogs prevail, it is time something was done to make matters easier for the motorists who are becoming all-the-year-round road users in increasing numbers. The white line in the middle of the road is perhaps the most useful antidote to fog, and one is tempted to ask whether it would not be possible, and at the same time practicable, to continue this line along the entire length of our main roads, and in the country, where there is no kerb, to put an additional white line on the near side of the roads. This would give additional safety to pedestrians at night and would also enable motorists to proceed in the thickest of fogs.

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MY recent experience of fog driving was a journey from Staines to Reading on a 16-40 six-cylinder Royal A.C. Progress was extremely difficult, and at times one found oneself in a line of cars led by an omnibus, the driver of which was following his conductor, who walked ahead with a lantern. In situations such as this one thanked the sturdy little engine for its remarkable gift of smooth slow running. It may seem unfair to test a car in adverse weather, but actually bad conditions prove the true merit of a vehicle. The A.C. is a well-designed, convenient little car with perfect steering. It has an excellent top gear performance, and combines in its construction many refinements which are a boon to the owner-driver. During a fine spell I actually drove the particular car placed at my disposal, with three people up, over a course of 60 miles picked at random without making a single change from top gear. Although some of the Berkshire hills encountered were stiffish the engine never showed any signs of complaint On a burst of speed the speedometer needle passed the 60 m.p.h. mark.

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NO part of a car will repay its owner better for a little attention than the tyres, and if only for the sake of economy (tyre replacement is easily the most expensive item in the upkeep costs) regular tyre care should be considered of the greatest importance. As soon as the tread is worn smooth there is a very grave danger of a skid, resulting, perhaps, in a very nasty accident. At least the risk of a burst or puncture (probably involving the ruination of the tube as well) is increased tenfold. Retreading worn tyres is a great economy when carried out quickly and inexpensively. Messrs. Associated Rubber Manufacturers, Ltd., Almagam Mills, Harpenden, who have been engaged in the retreading industry for more than twenty years, are able to retread any make and any size of pneumatic tyre at a saving of over 60 per cent. of the cost of a new tyre. This firm, the manufacturers of "Bal-lon-ette" low-pressure cord tyres, in addition to receiving numerous testimonials for mileages of 20,000-23,000 obtained on their tyres, recently received a letter from a user who had covered 48,000 miles on a set of four "Bal-lon-ette" tyres which were still in service. This most interesting fact proves the very excellent wearing qualities of the "Bal-lon-ette" tread, and when it is emphasised that exactly the same quality tread rubber is used for retreading as for the "Bal-lon-ette" tyre, it is easily understood how it is possible for Associated Rubber Manufacturers, Ltd., to guarantee their retreading for 6,000 miles.

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Lt.-Col. A. F. Watt, a director of the Pyrene Company, Ltd., the well-known makers of fire-extinguishers, is making a protracted world tour. This is an early proof that British manufacturers are adopting the suggestion of the Dominion Premiers that home manufacturers should study business conditions overseas.

AN OCCASION IN GREECE

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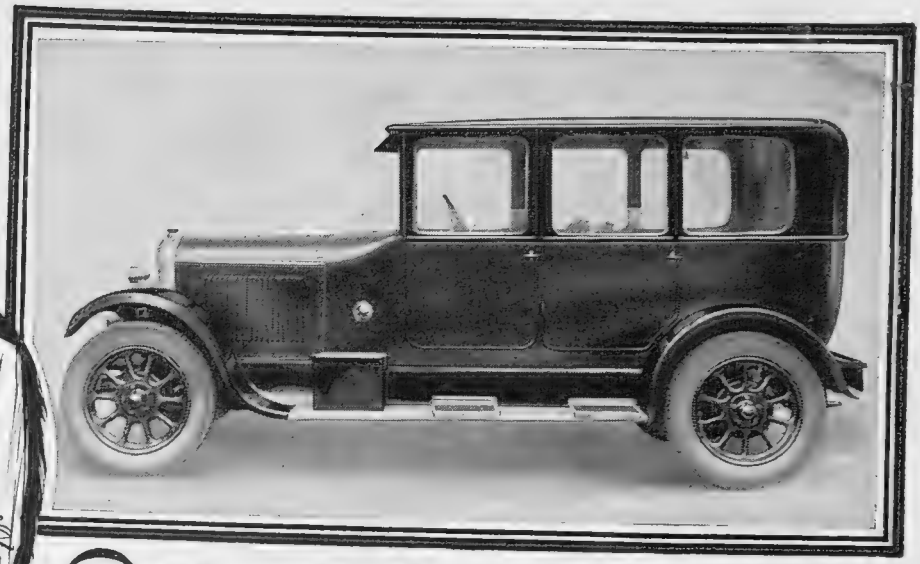

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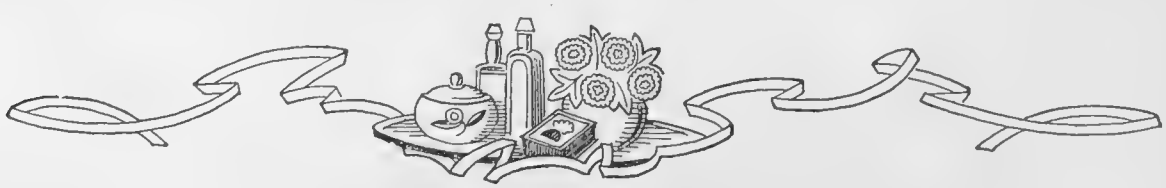

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MORE SEASONABLE WORDS TO THE WISE

Presents for Sportswomen

FOR these one goes direct, and without a moment's hesitation, to Burberrys, Haymarket, S.W.1. As is world renowned, they know the subject from A to Z, besides having their own exclusive ideas regarding expression. There is, for example, a golf jerkin carried out in beautiful soft glove leather, in a wide range of colours. This is extraordinarily light in weight and yet a safeguard against rain and cold winds. Then there are jumpers and pull-overs of soft cashmere wools knitted in bright, gay colours and suitable for either home wear or Swiss sports; gifts it is difficult to imagine going wrong, since one and all are the last word in sports attire.

Evening Footwear

A highly important matter, and one that opens up a fresh channel for gifts, shoes, like stockings and gloves, make big inroads into a dress allowance, and are consequently gifts far more likely to be welcomed than some useless frivolity. A smart pair of evening shoes are such an asset, the more so this season as they are permitted to be very decorative; as behold the examples pictured, seen at The London Shoe Company, 116, New Bond Street, W. Made of silk brocade, these are adorned with fancy strappings of *diamanté*, which reappears in the studded heels. Worn with a black or white gown, they are supremely effective and go a long way towards creating an alluring *ensemble*. The newest court shoe is, according to these authorities, built much higher at the back. This type is proving a best seller effected in brocade, with satin backs *appliqué* with brocade, a vogue that runs through many attractive colours and colour combinations.

DISTINCTIVE GLASSWARE FROM HARRODS

AN ATTRACTIVE BURBERRY MODEL

IN THE BOUDOIR

Fascinating boudoir caps from Messrs. Harvey Nichols of Knightsbridge

For this happy idea credit is due to Harvey Nichols, Knightbridge, who for the Christmas occasion have made a conspicuous speciality of these *intimé* articles. Reading from left to right of the group pictured, we find a creation of fine all-over lace, in *bois de rose*, trimmed multi-coloured flowers and narrow satin ribbon, a truly remarkable production at 9s. 11d. Seductive, with hanging tassels of *crêpe de Chine* ribbon and coloured flowers, is the centre model, fashioned of pink georgette and coffee-shaded lace. The third reveals a cap of fine *bois de rose* net, the crown decked with lucky horseshoes of coloured hand-made silk flowers.

Beautiful English Cut Glass

There is no doubt at all as to the craze obtaining for glass just now. It is a veritable obsession, and gifts taking this form are assured of appreciation. At Harrods, Brompton Road, there is choice enough to bewilder the steadiest brain. Particularly appropriate to the convivial moment is the whisky toddy tray illustrated, the tray of polished mahogany, and the goblets on stems, decanter and jug of cut glass, after the Stuart period. It is a sheer joy to feel the clean cut of this glass, so different from the rough machine finish of so much of that hailing from abroad; in addition to which there are brilliancy and fineness.

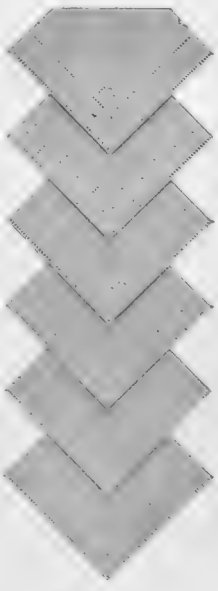
The choice at Harrods ranges from everyday tumblers and wineglasses to exquisite compote jars, *vid* dishes, bowls, and flower vases. Harrods is certainly an ideal place for Christmas shopping, and their illustrated catalogue sent on application is a veritable boon to all.

SHOES OF BEAUTY

Two examples of evening footwear for ladies from the London Shoe Co., 116, New Bond Street

Little Lingerie Luxuries

Vanity, thy name is woman. That being so, let us pander to it, and consider the charms of pretty, provocative boudoir caps.



FOR MY LADY

Dainty handkerchiefs from Walpoles, 89-90, New Bond Street

Handkerchiefs of all Sorts

There is no mistaking the significance placed on handkerchiefs at Walpole's, 89-90, New Bond Street. This firm, has issued an illustrated list mainly devoted to the subject, and will be pleased to send a selection on approval post free. Naturally with such a multifarious choice it was difficult to mark out a special range, but this ultimately fell on some *mouchoirs* of fine sheer linen, Swiss hand embroidered, selling from 3s. to 4s. 6d. each. Another equally attractive offering in its way is linen handkerchiefs, fine Irish, hand embroidered, at 1s. each, or at the same price a choice of coloured linen fancies, the colour sometimes appearing on the border and in the centre, with spots, stripes and checks and *appliqués* to make for variety. The other addresses of this firm are 175, Sloane Street, and 108, Kensington High Street.

ARTISTIC UTILITY
A nest of tables from Messrs. Williamson and Cole, of Clapham

For the Home Beautiful

Those in quest of some small article of furniture as a Christmas offering are advised to wend their way to Williamson & Cole, Clapham, an establishment that is always especially intriguing at this time of the year, both in furniture and furnishing fabrics. There is, for example, the nest of tables illustrated. Built of oak, Jacobean finished, pleasingly simple in line and so beautifully made that each table slips in and out with ease, this nest costs only 37s. 6d.; a modest sum enough in view of the fine workmanship and style. For a warm, cosy den there is a real inspiration in a smoking table on which everything needful can be kept at hand; while, to add to the utilitarian service, there are two sliding ash trays. Mounted on a firm triple-leg stand, this is well worth considering at 29s. 11d.

FOR THE SWEET TOOTH
The "Marlborough" assortment of Cadbury chocolates

A Certain Success

The question of giving presents, at all events where one's womenfolk and the younger generation are concerned, is very simply answered by the word "Chocolate." An attractive box of chocolates is always appreciated, and if they are of the famous Cadbury make their success is assured. The wholesomeness of these chocolates has become a household word, a fact which is due to the ideal conditions under which they are manufactured in Cadbury's Garden City at Bournville.

DAINTY GLOVES
From Messrs. Gorringe, Ltd., Buckingham Palace Road

Talking of Gloves

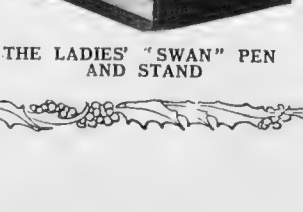
The cost of such absolutely necessary articles as gloves and stockings these days is well known, and is apt to strain even a generous dress allowance, so without any further palaver make it gloves; a nice warm pair of mocha-finished lambskin, sac shape, trimmed with fur to tone. You will get this identical quality of quite exceptional value at Frederick Gorringe, Buckingham Palace Road, for 8s. 11d. With the long sleeves now in vogue there is a growing feeling for wrist length gloves with amusing turn-up cuffs. In washable *suède* there is a most covetable example at Gorringe's at 7s. 11d.; these are perfectly cut gloves, obtainable in pastel-grey and light beaver. As usual, Frederick Gorringe has issued a special Christmas catalogue, every page of which abounds with seasonable suggestions.

"Shining Gifts"

It is impossible to draw a blank at J. C. Vickery's, Regent Street, W. No matter how vague and *distrait* a mind is taken into this establishment, attention is quickly focused on just the right and appropriate thing. For Her to give Him there is a combined clock and aneroid; and the man has yet to be born who is not a slave to an aneroid, and one for preference that he can carry on his travels—a gift provided by Vickery in solid sterling silver that folds up for packing. A like composition in tortoiseshell with silver-gilt mounts is available for the affluent. For Her there is suggested and illustrated a vanity case, of delicate engine-turned silver, with blue enamelled line border and sapphire catches, a charming and useful accessory containing a mirror, receptacle for powder puff, and another for the inevitable cigarettes, yet one withal that goes quite easily into a small handbag. Your resources, *chers messieurs*, will not be strained in acquiring this pretty thing, as the cost is only £2 18s. 6d. J. C. Vickery's customary gift catalogue can be had for the asking.

A New Idea

It is always pleasant to find a new idea in presents which one is sure will give pleasure to the recipient. This Christmas Messrs. Mabie Todd, the well-known makers of "Swan" Fountain Pens, are offering the neatest possible desk sets. These consist of a "Swan" Fountain Pen, with a specially tapered holder, to give it perfect balance, and a desk stand in which the pen rests while not in use. The writer is thus able to keep a fountain pen on the desk and to know that it is always in perfect condition for writing. The price of these sets varies from two guineas for the ladies' model to four guineas for a set with two pens.

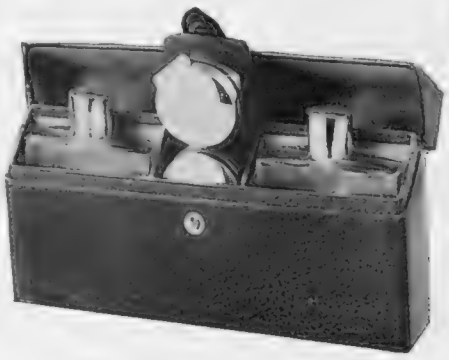


THE LADIES' "SWAN" PEN AND STAND

FOR HER
A silver and enamelled vanity bag from Messrs. J. C. Vickery, of Regent Street

For Quick Repairs

The "Motor Girl" cannot afford to be without one of the attractive new Cyclax cases for motoring and travel. The motoring case is made of crushed morocco, and fitted with silver-topped bottles and silver boxes in which the Cyclax preparations, which cleanse the skin from all dust and grime, are put. This is a handsome present at the moderate cost of three guineas, while there is a larger case which is indispensable to the Christmas traveller, and is fitted with four bottles, four boxes, and a mirror, and is sold at four guineas. These Cyclax cases are gems of good workmanship.



THE CYCLAX MOTORING BAG

For the Christmas Table

Now is the time of year when the word "Baking" is blazoned in large letters in the housekeeper's mind, and the thought of plum puddings, batter puddings, pancakes, Norfolk dumplings, Scotch scones,

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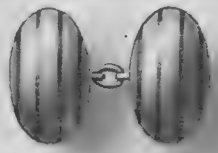
BY APPOINTMENT TO H.M. THE KING

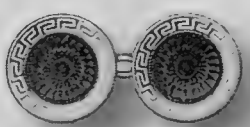
Quality Christmas Presents



18 carat Gold and Enamel Links.
£2 . 12 . 6 per pair.

18 carat Gold and Enamel Links.
£7 . 0 . 0 per pair.

18 carat Gold and Enamel Links.
£3 . 12 . 6 per pair.

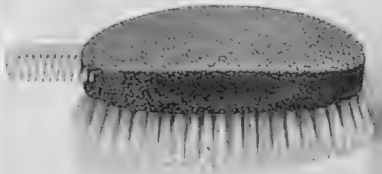


18 carat Gold and Enamel Links.
£4 . 10 . 0 per pair.

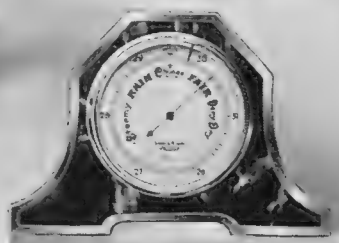
Sterling Silver drop action Pencil, with rigid point and enamelled perpetual calendar **£1 . 15 . 0**
In 9 carat Gold **3 . 15 . 0**
In 18 .. Gold **7 . 5 . 0**

Regent Plate Cocktail Set, with four beakers and corkscrew and bottle opener combination, complete in solid leather case, suitable for motoring.
£5 . 5 . 0

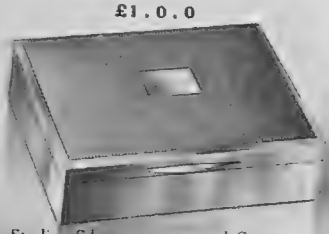
Waterman Fountain Pen, with 9 carat Gold Bands.
£1 . 0 . 0



Shagreen Shingle Hair Brush, with fine quality bristles, complete with Ivory Comb fitted in back of brush.
£3 . 5 . 0



Silver-gilt mounted Tortoiseshell Aneroid Barometer.
£4 . 15 . 0



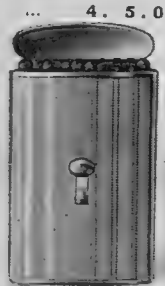
Sterling Silver engine-turned Cigarette Box, lined cedar wood.

Length 4½ inches	...	**£2 . 10 . 0**
.. 5½ ..	...	**3 . 0 . 0**
.. 6½ ..	...	**4 . 5 . 0**

All Sterling Silver Flask, gilt inside, concave pattern, bayonet cap.

To hold 4 ozs.	**£2 . 5 . 0**
.. 6 ..	**2 . 15 . 0**
.. 8 ..	**3 . 2 . 6**
.. ½ pint	**3 . 15 . 0**

Gentleman's 9 carat Gold Square Wrist Watch, on suede straps.
£10 . 0 . 0



Sterling Silver engine-turned "Universal" Match Box, opened by slide action, has outside striker, and will take safety matches.
£1 . 0 . 0
In 9 carat Gold ... **£6 . 15 . 0**

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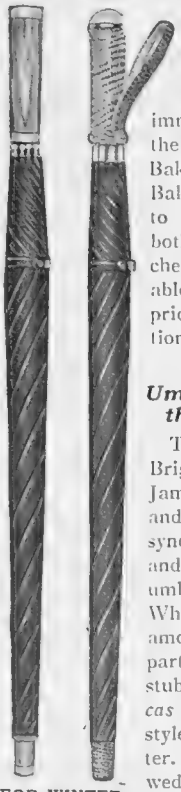


FOR WINTER
Two original umbrella designs from Messrs. Brigg and Sons, 23, St. James's Street

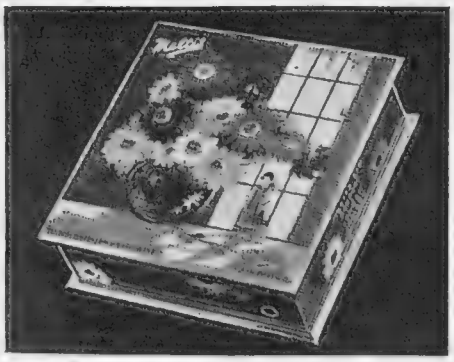
and the many other delectable forms of pudding and pastry made from baking powder are immediately associated with the famous Borwick's Baking Powder. Borwick's Baking Powder is subjected to a very careful analysis, both microscopical and chemical, and is indispensable to the housewife who prides herself on the perfection of her *cuisine*.

Umbrellas that Stamp the Fastidious Woman

The name of this firm, Brigg and Sons, 23, St. James's Street, S.W.1, is, and always has been, synonymous with the best, and is world renowned when umbrellas are mentioned. What they ordain stands among the elect, and their particular expression of the stub umbrella and *en-tout-cas* has no rival for quality, style and individual character. As gifts for Christmas, weddings or birthdays these possessions seldom go agley. In the two illustrated examples are shown the newest creations.

A Gift for Her

An ideal Christmas present, though it is appropriate at any other time of the year,

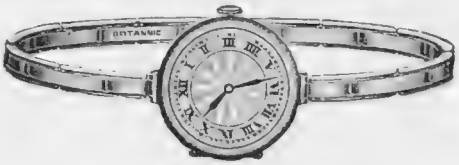


A DAINTY BOX OF MELTIS CHOCOLATES

is the gift of a box of really high-class chocolates. The Seville chocolates from Meltis are the acme of perfection, and the Meltis range includes, in addition to the famous "Seville Assorted" variety, an old favourite, "Harlequin," and the more recent "Duchess of York."

An All Time Present

There are some Christmas presents that are perhaps seasonable though they do not last, but a present of a "Britannic" Expanding Bracelet is always seasonable and is guaranteed for five years. The Britannic Expanding Bracelet can be supplied with or without the watch, and each bracelet before being put on sale is very thoroughly tested.



THE "BRITANNIC" WRIST WATCH AND EXPANDING BRACELET

"Pale Hands I Loved"

A useful present for what was once known as the "Weaker Sex" is a bottle of Bronnley's Ess Viotto for whitening the hands and beautifying the complexion. It prevents all the redness and chapping of hands that often occurs after washing, and in water produces a beautiful creamy lather that makes washing, even on a cold day, a joy.

"PALE HANDS I LOVED"
Bronnley's "Ess Viotto"

Bridge Caricatures

Have you met Lady Damshaw, Mr. Will Double, Mr. Wat R. Trumps, and Miss Dare I Duitt? If you play Bridge and you haven't, you are lucky! But if you have or haven't you may spend a very pleasant hour by studying the contents of the amusing little book by John Hart, illustrated by Gordon Jackson, entitled "A Bridge Hand," published by Duckworth's, at 2s. 6d. Readers of THE BYSTANDER will remember this series of "Bridge Don'ts," which has now been collected in book form and prove an entertaining yet, at the same time, quite instructive addition to the Bridge table.

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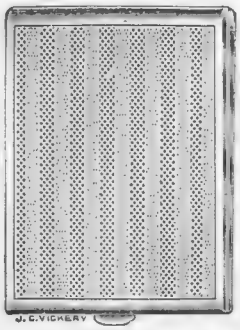
Vickery's for Xmas Gifts



No. L 264.—New Design Engine-Turned Silver Cases for Tear-off Matches, 18/6

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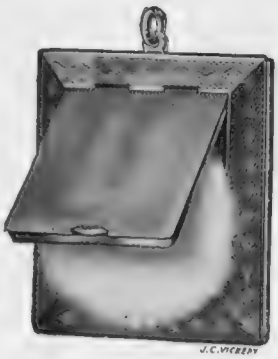
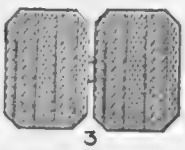


Engine-turned **Solid Gold Vanity Case,** with mirror. 2 in. by 1¾ ins, **£6 15 0**



L 151.—Solid Gold Links, £2 12 6

Solid Gold Finely Jewelled Wrist Watch, round or square shape, **£6 15 0**

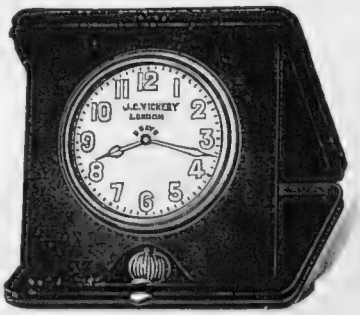
Vickery's "Rip" Opening bags, all colours. Four sizes

9 in. 47/6 — 10 in. 50/-
11 in. 55/- — 12 in. 57/6

Dressing Case for the Car, fitted silver gilt, blue, green or brown calf, **£8 10 0**

No. L 309.— **Special Value. 8-day Folding Clock,** with Luminous Figures and Hands, reliable movement. Dark Green or Blue Leather

Only **£2 18 6**



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COTY

In the silk lined "Ivory" Coffret are the requisites for those last deft touches that bring beauty to perfection. Cream, Powder, Compact for the handbag, and Lipstick in gilt and enamel case. It costs 22/6—others in the series from 15/6.

La Jacée—Coty's latest "parfum creation": the fragrance of a thousand flower scents exquisitely blended by a master hand. Personal, rare, it is a new and delicate thrill for fastidious senses.
The price is 39/6

A GIFT OF PARFUMS COTY IS A SUBTLE COMPLIMENT

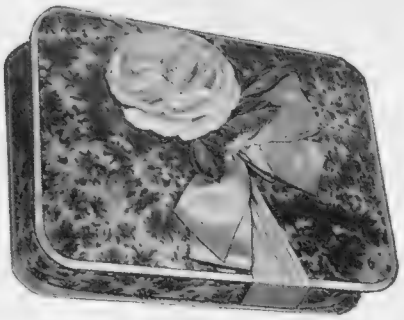
Fragrance is one of the exquisite qualities of Coty Soap: its smooth delicacy gives softness and clearness to the skin. Three tablets in gleaming silk tasselled box, 7/-: six tablets, 13/6. Eau de Toilette Coty offers two lovely services to charm. In itself it is an exquisite perfume, slightly fainter than the essence, and its effect is beneficial to the skin.
From 13/6

Created to intensify the separate charm of each woman in an elusive expression of personality, Coty Creations are gifts of exquisite significance, which convey, in lovely and lasting fragrance, a subtle recognition of individuality

Above in centre Coty perfumes, subtle expressions of individuality each breathing a fragrance of charm and distinction. Parfum L'Origan, elegant and exquisite, for the woman of the world: Paris, a perfume of spontaneous gaiety.
L'Origan, 18/6; Paris 10/6

Coty
Parfums de Luxe

Coty's leather Coffrets are a sheer delight: even when the fragrant contents are gone, there remains a rich satin-lined jewel case. On the left a Coffret in crushed morocco holding three cut crystal bottles of assorted perfumes—84/-, the other disclosing perfumes, sachets and powders, costs 70/-



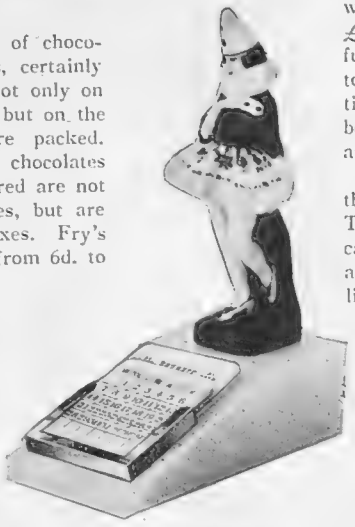
AN ALLURING BOX OF FRY'S CHOCOLATES

Every Day a Fry Day

The old-established firm of chocolate makers, to wit, Fry's, certainly spends unlimited trouble not only on the chocolates themselves, but on the boxes in which they are packed. The new "Carlton" chocolates which have recently appeared are not only delicious in themselves, but are packed in really artistic boxes. Fry's fancy boxes vary in price from 6d. to two guineas, the kiddies being especially remembered in "Chocolate of Our Childhood Days."

Things to Know of in Jewellery

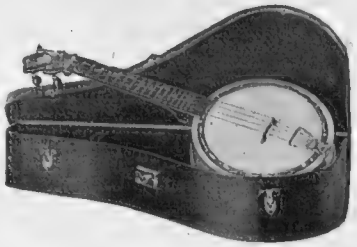
Almost, if not quite, one of the most brilliant inspirations of the Goldsmiths' and Silversmiths' Company, 112, Regent Street, is the Add-a-Pearl Necklace. This can be started with a single pearl, on a platinum chain, or a small group, as funds permit. And while, like the famous expanding bookcase, it is never finished, it is always complete and wearable. Now this at once jumps to the eye as a really handsome Christmas gift for a girl, to be added to on successive anniversaries.



"SWEET PIERETTE"
A novel calendar from the Goldsmiths' and Silversmiths' Co., of Regent Street

Once started — outlay with a single pearl is only £4—there need never be any further speculation as to what to give, for they keep a selection of loose pearls that can be matched up as occasion arises.

Another big success here is the Milanese watch bracelet. This delicate, flexible thing can be fitted to any watch and adjusted to any size wrist like a ribbon. For men, the Milanese band is wider than for women, but there is a full gradation to choose from, ranging in price, in 10 carat gold, from £2 10s. Or there is an alternative, rather more ambitious in character, comprising a ribbon band with shoulder of diamonds mounted in platinum.



"MUSIC HATH CHARMS"
The Alto "Banjulele" Banjo from Messrs. Keith Prowse

Music Hath Charms

Those in search of Christmas presents for music-loving friends could hardly do better than pay a visit to the salons of Keith Prowse. An attractive gift is the Alto "Banjulele" Banjo, priced at fifteen guineas, while there are other "Banjulele" Banjos from £3 10s. to £7. Keith Prowse, which was founded in the reign of George III, has this year excelled itself in the variety of acceptable and useful presents displayed in its salons all over London.

The Guineas

The result of the Two Thousand Guineas may have disappointed us, and our "cert"

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GOLDEN MOMENTS
A welcome hamper of good cheer in the form of "Golden Guinea" Muscatel

Fully Illustrated Catalogue of suggestions for Christmas Gifts sent free on request

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Selections of Jewellery and Silverware sent on approval at our risk and expense

Silver Automatic Opening Bag or Pocket Comb. Plain, 10/6
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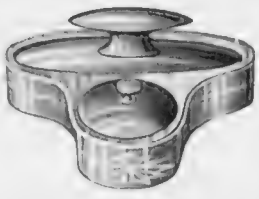
Finely Engine-Turned Silver Toilet Set.
Hair Brushes, £2 5 0 each. Hat and Cloth Brushes, £1 10 0 each.
Mirror, £4 4 0 Comb, 13/6



Silver and Glass Nail Polisher and Powder Pot Combination
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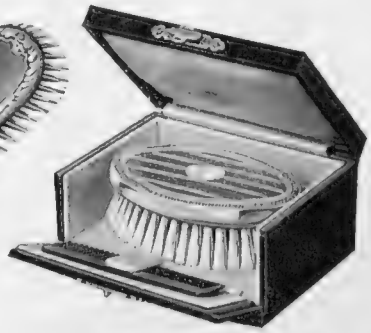
Combination Puff Bowl and Scent Spray, Silver Mounted, Cut Glass, 6¾ in high, £2 15 0



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At the Técla Salons you can make your choice from a varied collection of gifts appropriate to any recipient, or your requirements can be conveyed by post.

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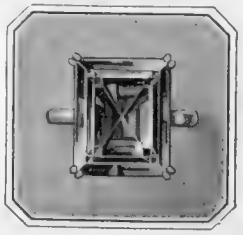

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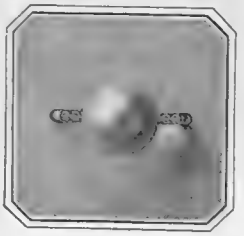

TÉCLA PEARL RING mounted with real Diamonds in platinum or white gold.

for the One Thousand Guineas may have let us down, but solace and good cheer awaits us in another guinea, to wit, the famous Golden Guinea Sparkling Muscatel. At all occasions, great and small, this famous wine is deservedly popular, being medium dry and of a delicate flavour, the produce of the finest vineyards of Epernay.

For the Dainty Feet

A great deal of the beauty of Woman lies in the shape of her feet, and when cased in "Excelsior" shoewear the foot immediately becomes a thing of grace and beauty. A most welcome Christmas present is a gift of the "Excelsior" model No. 5206, original design in Navy Blue Kid, and Printed Calf Skin. The "Excelsior" is made by J. F. Hutchings & Co., Ltd., Excelsior Works, Bristol.

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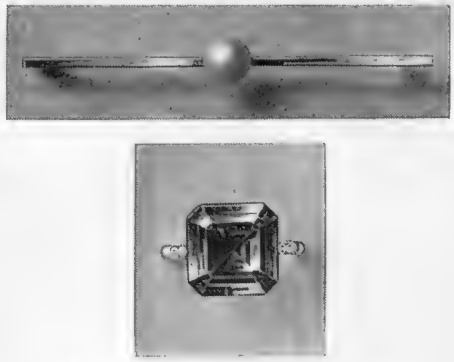

TWO BEAUTIFUL TÉCLA JEWELS

Pearls of Price

Pearls are always precious, by reason of their beautiful appearance and the air they give to their wearers, and a most appealing Christmas present is a rope of Técla pearls. The dream of centuries was realised when the process of the making of the Técla pearls was discovered, and perhaps the most significant phases of their success are their enduring quality and their moderate cost. Another great discovery by Técla is the reproduction of jewellery, and their perfect replicas of sapphires, rubies and emeralds make delightful and attractive presents.

An Aid to the Deaf

The plight of the deaf, at all times pitiable, becomes particularly so at times like the present, when they are debarred by their affliction from joining in the pleasures and amusements of their companions. No better gift could be made to a deaf person than Mr. V. A. Foot's new all-British discovery, the "Ossicaide." This wonderful little invention enables the deaf to hear without adding to the strain and tension of overburdened nerves, and is so inconspicuous as to draw no attention to its wearer. Free demonstrations of the "Ossicaide" are given daily at "Walmer House," 296, Regent Street, W.1.

A Smile in Every Piece

The word toffee has long been irresistibly associated with the name Mackintosh, and no one can go far wrong in choosing Mackintosh's Toffee or Chocolate for their Christmas gift. Their Rosemary Assortment Chocolates, De Luxe Assortment Toffees, Carnival Assortment, or Vanity Box are sure means of bringing sunshine into any household.

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A TASTY MACKINTOSH ARRAY

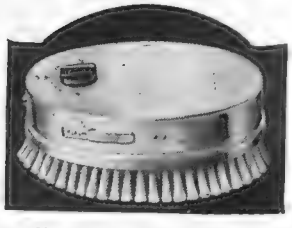
New ELECTRIC treatment *for* Hair *and* Scalp!

Here is a new way to make your hair beautiful and healthy at home without constant expense. The 'Raydo' Electric Brush gives you benefits equal to expensive electrical treatment hitherto available only in exclusive salons.

This is no exaggeration, for the invigorating current of the new 'Raydo' Brush stimulates hair growth and imparts a wonderful vitality and sheen to hair of every kind. It prevents premature baldness. The 'Raydo' makes the scalp healthy too by quickly destroying dandruff, stopping falling hair and revitalising sluggish hair roots. By stimulating the blood-stream this electric brush improves the colour of the hair and wards off greyness.

The 'Raydo' is a handsome brush of military pattern specially designed for short hair and is ideal for men and women. Within the compass of an ordinary brush is all the electrical mechanism. Being entirely self-contained there are no wires, no connections or other attachments whatever. Consequently there is no danger You use the 'Raydo' as an ordinary brush regulating the current at will from a soothing sensation to a vigorous thrill. Nothing could be more simple—yet nothing else can do the hair and scalp so much good. Electricity makes the hair healthy and beautiful.

The 'Raydo' Electric Brush gives a lifetime service without constant expense. It is nickel-plated and costs £2-2-0 in a handsome leather case.



"RAYDO" *Electric* Hair Brush

As a Christmas gift for a man or woman the 'Raydo' Electric Brush combines utility with beauty. Why not send your friend's name and address, with remittance, to Harrods (Elect. Dept.), Whiteleys (Pertumery Dept.), Barkers (Elect. Dept.), Selfridges (Hair Brush Dept.), Army and Navy Stores (Turnery Dept.), Maison Nicol, 170, New Bond Street, W.1, or direct to the Electric Brush Co., Ltd. (Dept. 84), Braydon Road, N.16, and your 'Raydo' gift will be sent post free.

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STAY-AT-HOME gramophones miss half the fun of life. So do their owners. But the gallant little Decca, going everywhere yet with no set place anywhere, lives life to the full. The story of the Decca, with its wonderful war record and post-war pioneer work reads like a romance. And now comes along the new Decca telesmatic system of Sound Reproduction to add another chapter to gramophone history. Still as small as ever, still as light as ever, the new telesmatic Decca is twice as good as its predecessor which achieved such great popularity all over the world.

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There are always so many friends and acquaintances for whom "***4711***" will make the happy season happier. When you think of it, what more delightful and *useful* gift than a bottle or two of "***4711***" Eau de Cologne? The purchaser of "***4711***" is assured of a lofty and traditional standard of quality recognised for nearly 150 years. The Blue and Gold label with the number "***4711***" on it is a pledge and a proof of perfect strength, unparalleled purity and distinguished fragrance.

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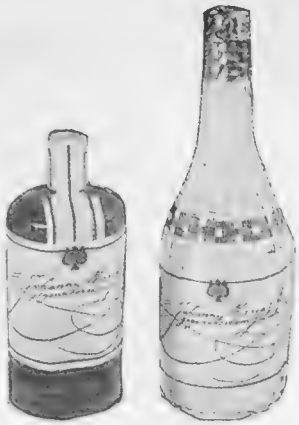
The "Original and Genuine" Eau-de-Cologne was first established in the year 1709. Since that far-distant date right up to the present day this famous brand of Eau-de-Cologne, which bears the signature of Johann Farina, has been an acknowledged and welcome favourite in many homes in many lands. It is sold not only in liquid form in many different attractive bottles, but also as toilet soap, and it may safely be said that this favourite brand is as popular to-day as it was in the far-off days when its fragrant charms were first known.



BOTTLED FRESHNESS
The famous Farina Eau-de-Cologne

Taking the Rest

Comfort in the home is essential to a happy Christmas, and, indeed, to a happy life generally. Bearing this fact in mind, I certainly acted wisely in buying John one of those wonderfully comfortable Minty Oxford Varsity Chairs this year. They are really wonderful value at prices ranging from 37s. 6d. to 92s. 6d. The London showrooms are at 36, Southampton Street, Strand. The Minty Settee, four feet in length, costs but £5 10s., including two cretonne cushions.

WHEN "OFF PARADE"
Two novel dressing-gowns from Messrs. Turnbull and Asser, of 71, Jermyn Street, S.W.1

"EASY, ALL"
The Minty Oxford Chair—an ideal rest provider

For Both of Them

If you want a present for him or for her, pay a visit to Turnbull and Asser, of 71-72, Jermyn Street, St. James's, S.W.1. They have some delightful selections of dressing-gowns, smoking suits, pyjamas, shirts, *crêpe de Chine* scarfs, and hosiery, while their ladies' *crêpe de Chine* dressing-gowns in net and exclusive colourings are a joy to behold. The single-fold are £6 10s., the double-fold £11 11s.

THE HEART OF MELODY
An attractive model of the Columbia Gramophone

The Time for Music

With the advent of the gramophone many music lovers have been able to gratify their taste for music, and the modern gramophone is an instrument of very high quality. One of the most popular, and certainly most perfect, machines is the Columbia "Viva-tonal," which is equipped with a two-tone sound box and a stereoscopic amplifying chamber, thus assuring perfect tone reproduction. The Columbia "Viva-Tonal" is made in cabinet and portable models at prices from £4 15s. to £25. A Columbia Christmas means a successful one.

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Christmas Gifts for Motorists

Press the Switch — Slide out of Holder — and Light as you Drive

THE SMITH WIRELESS LIGHTER

Just press the switch for 3 seconds, and light up.
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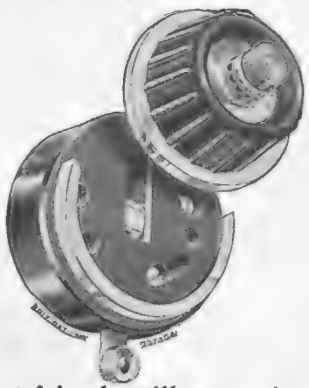
IN BLACK OR BROWN BAKELITE.



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He (or she as the case may be) will applaud your taste if you make your Christmas gift one of these cabinets of De Reszke Cigarettes. The cabinet does justice to the quality of the cigarettes, which everybody is proud to smoke and to give. You can also get the squared white-and-green-and-gold tins of De Reszke Virginias as under:—

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Smooth Him Down

If you want to give a male relative a present that will keep him in a good humour through the Christmas season and, indeed, throughout the year, give him a Rolls Razor. Packed in a slim, attractive case, it contains three extra blades, so that one can be occasionally rested, a brush holder and a soap container. The strop and hone for the blades are contained in the two lids of the actual razor case.

A Motoring Note

Messrs. Anderson's Rubber Company, Ltd., of 37, Queen Victoria Street, E.C.4, have a large and varied display of gifts suitable to all ages and purses. Among other things, they specialise in leather coats which, being warm and well made, are ideal for the motorist or motor cyclist. At prices ranging from 76s. 9d. to 182s. 6d., the coats can be thoroughly relied upon to provide good value, and will undoubtedly prove a most acceptable gift.

FOR THE MOTORIST
A serviceable leather coat from the Anderson Rubber Co., 37, Queen Victoria Street, E.C.

When "Heads" Wins

Many years ago now the late Phil May immortalised the famous hatters, Lincoln Bennett, of 40, Piccadilly, in one of his pen drawings, for the "L.B." trade mark in a hat is an assurance of the very best style and quality. This famous firm, which deals not only in men's hats but also finely-tailored hats for women, has now retail branches in Birmingham, Manchester, Liverpool, and Glasgow, and agents throughout the Kingdom. The Lincoln Bennett hats are made to suit all purses.

Useful Presents

It does not generally occur to people that serviceable articles for use in the sick room or hospital often form most acceptable presents. Even if there is no one in one's own home or among one's friends who have need at the time for such articles, a hospital or nursing home would welcome a suitable present of this kind. Messrs. Garrould's, of 150-162, Edgware Road, are acknowledged authorities on all matters concerning the supply of instruments, etc., for medical and surgical purposes, and for the outfitting of nurses. A visit to their establishment would be well worth while.

FOR COLD NIGHTS
A hot water bottle from Messrs. Garrould, 150-162, Edgware Road

Where to Stay

The question of a *pied à terre* is often difficult of solution to people who are making a "shopping stay" in town. The Langham Hotel is ideal for their purposes, as it combines the advantages of a central position with the quiet surroundings of Portland Place. The Langham was the first of the big hotels to be established in London, when it was opened sixty years ago by King Edward VII, then Prince of Wales, and it still retains its distinctive atmosphere. Visitors find there quiet perfection of accommodation and service.

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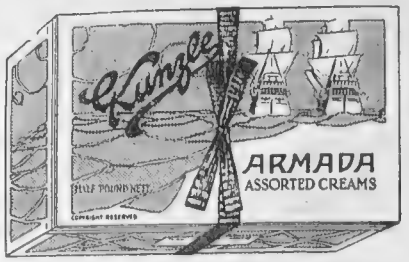
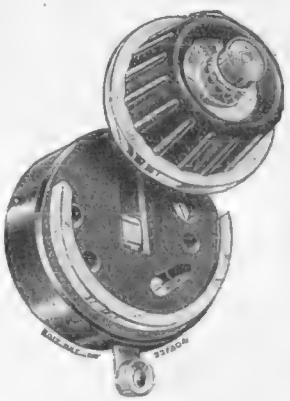
FOR THE TODDLER
The Chumpie Waterproof Play Rug

Say it with Chocolates

Chocolates are by no means the speciality of one special age or one sex, for old and young alike enjoy the charms which a good confection can bring. At Christmas time especially do chocolates come into their own, and every hostess who wishes to make sure of entertaining her guests in the best way will make sure that she is well supplied in this respect. She will certainly prove her wisdom even more if those supplied be Kunzle chocolates, for their purity and intriguing flavour are justly world-famous. A catalogue of all the alluring varieties of Kunzle chocolates may be had on application to the head office, Fiveways, Birmingham.



A DELIGHTFUL BOX OF KUNZLE CHOCOLATES



A CAR BOON
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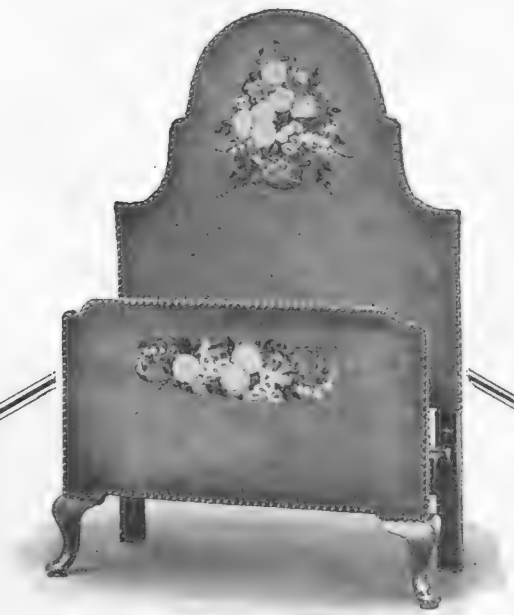

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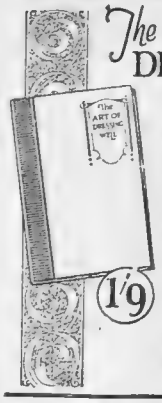

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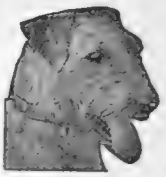

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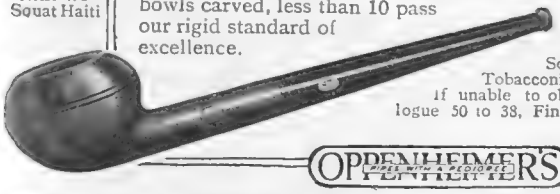

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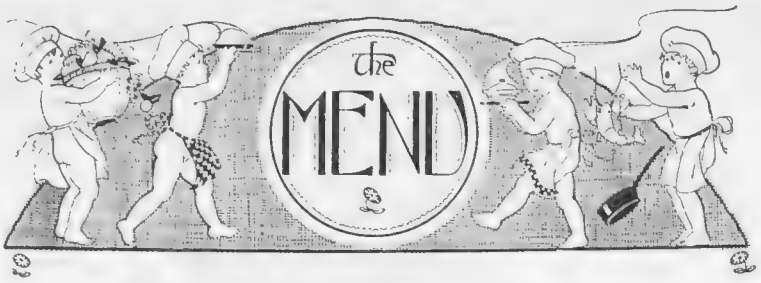

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Brandy Sauce

Beat ½ lb. of fresh butter to a cream, mix in 2½ oz. of castor sugar, a glass of sherry, and a small glass of brandy. The brandy must be added gradually.

Mincemeat

Three pounds of raisins (stoned and cut up), 3 lb. of currants, 3 lb. of sugar, 3 lb. of apples (chopped fine), 2½ lb. of suet, 4 oz. of mixed candied peel, 3 oz. of almonds (chopped fine), and the juice and rind of three lemons, also finely chopped, one grated nutmeg, half a pint of brandy, half a pint of port wine, and a teaspoonful of salt. Put the mincemeat into a stone jar with a closely fitting lid, stir it all well. In a week it will be ready for use.

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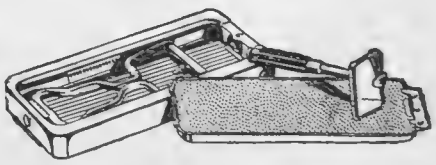

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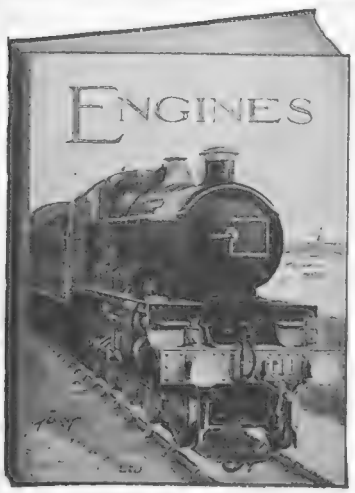

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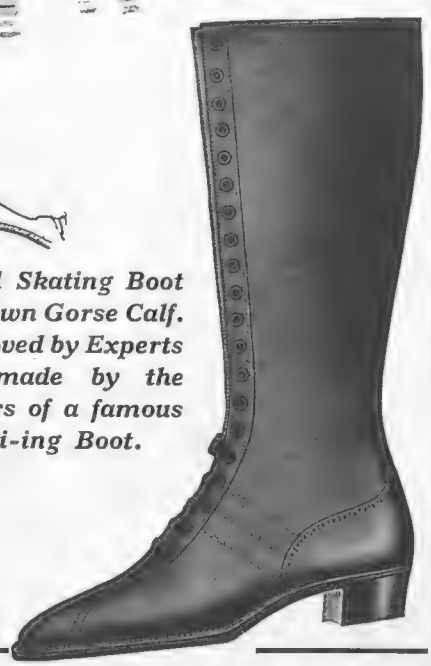

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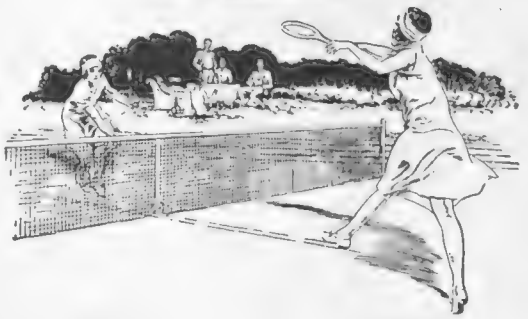

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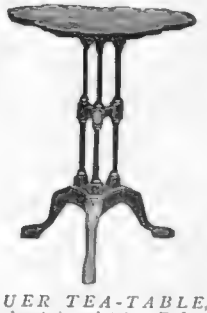

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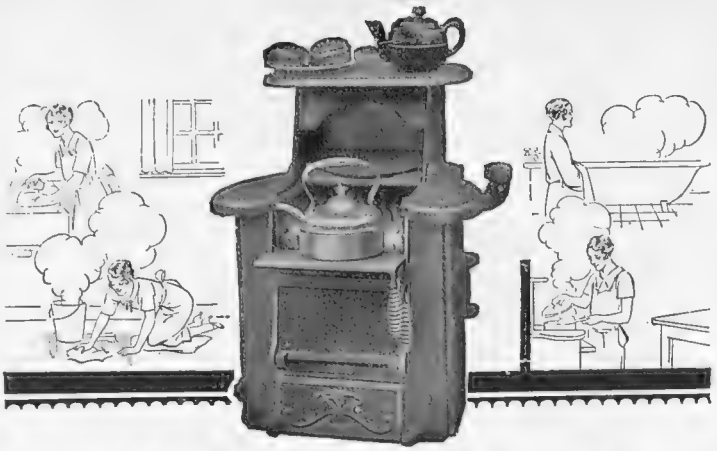

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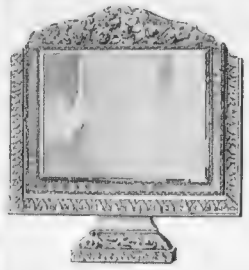

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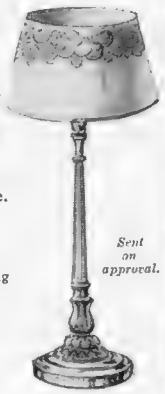

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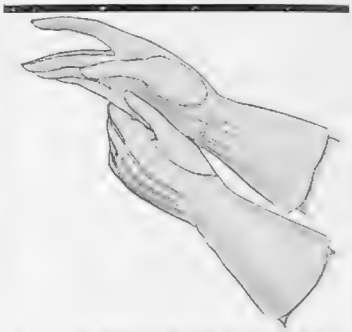

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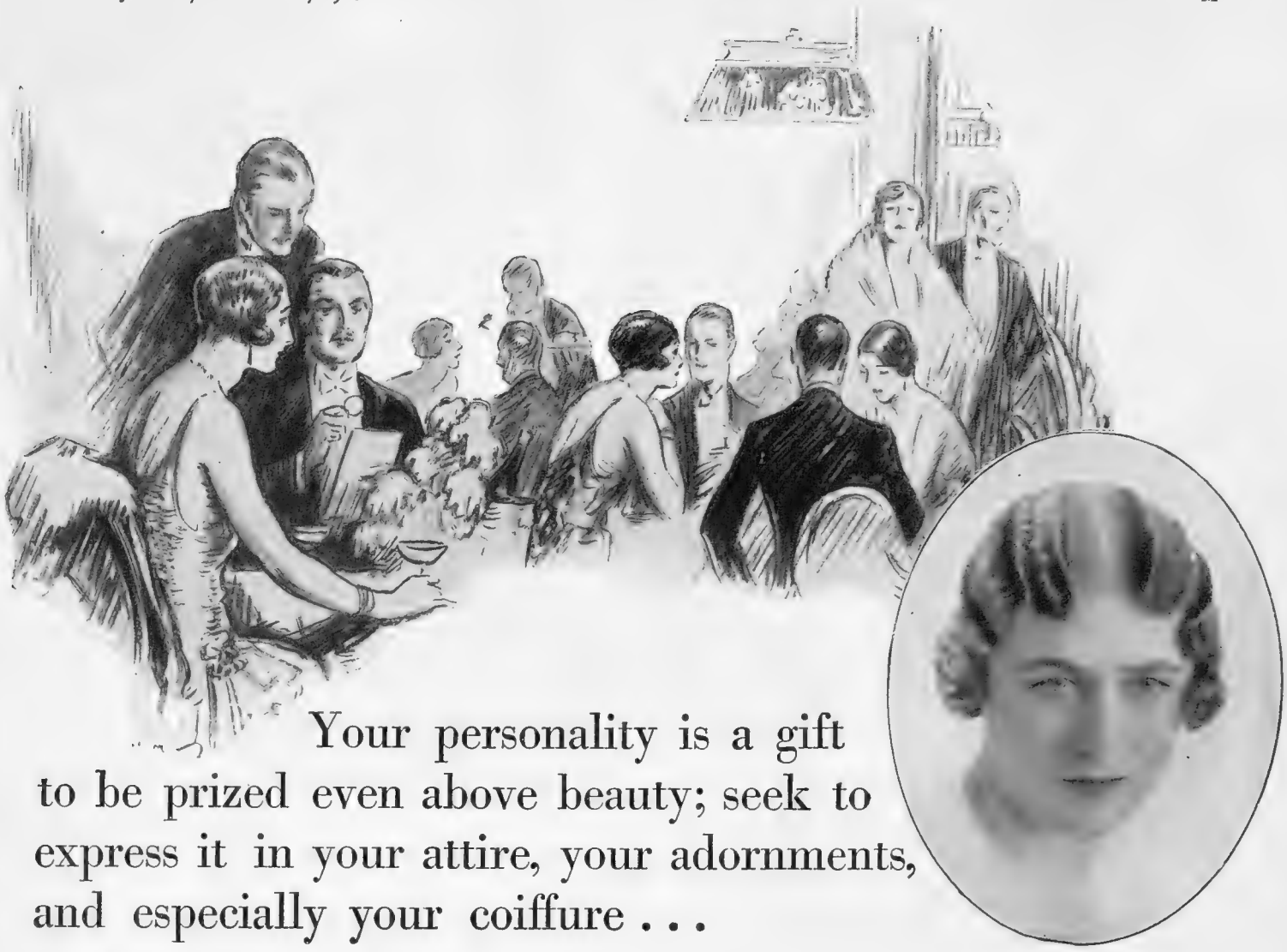

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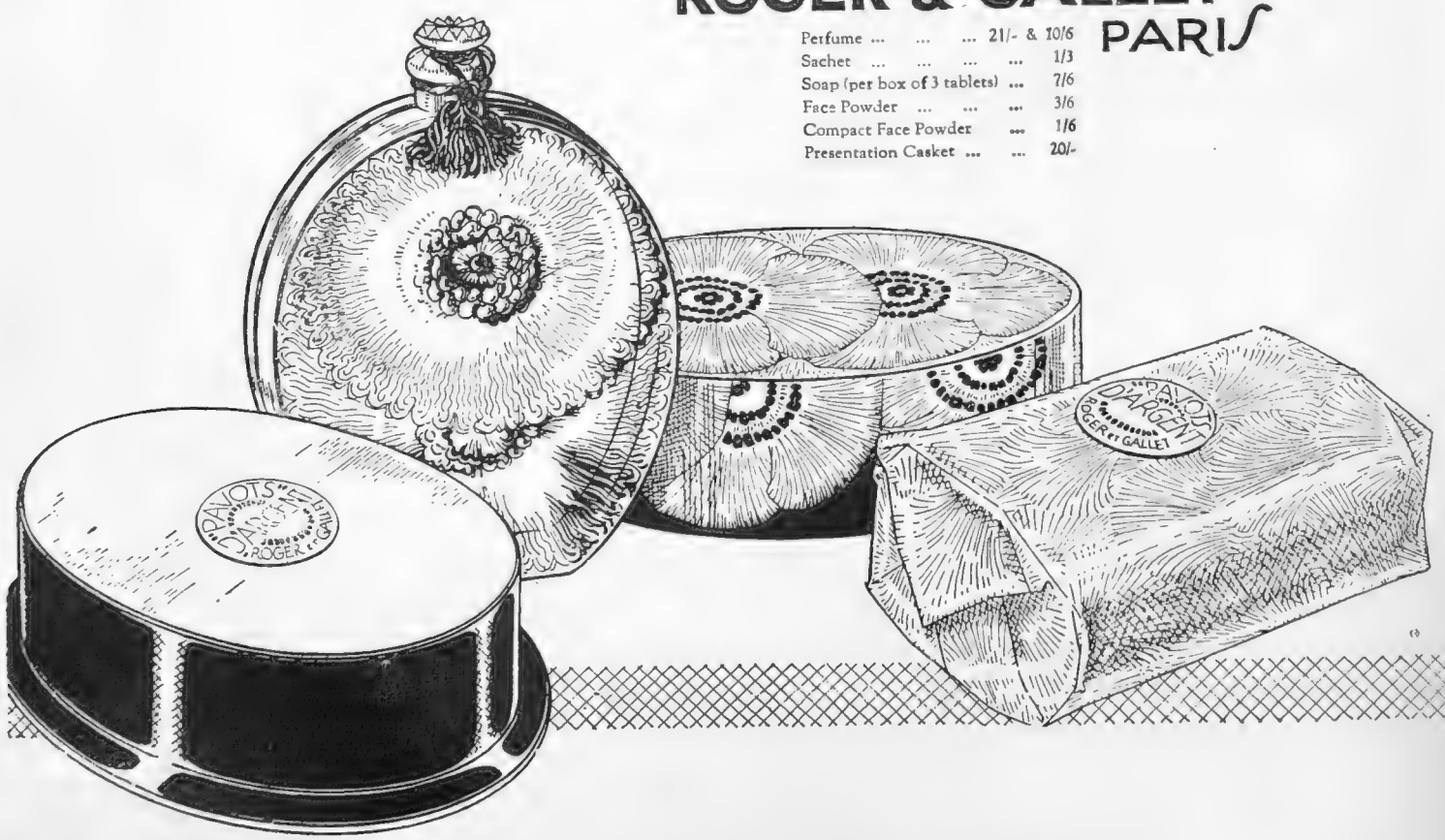

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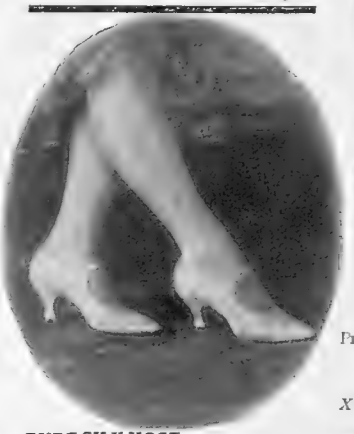

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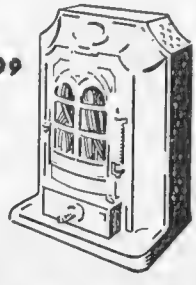

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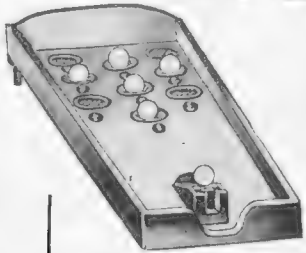

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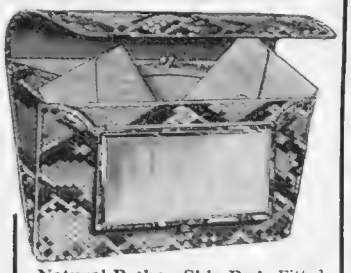

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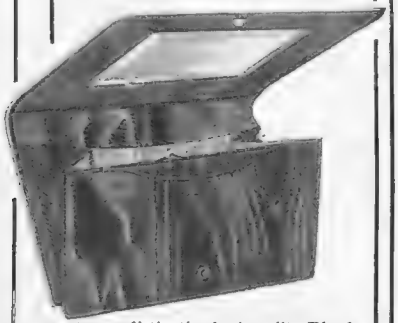

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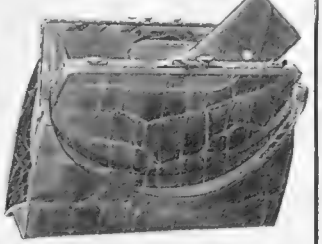

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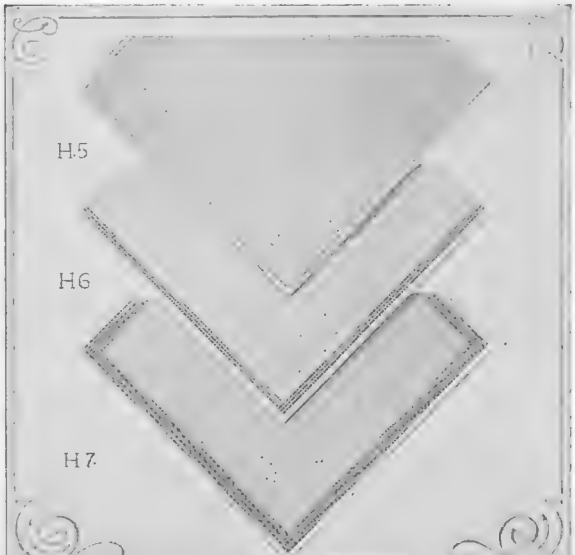

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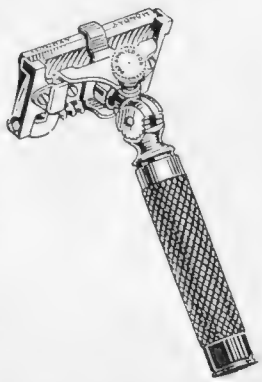

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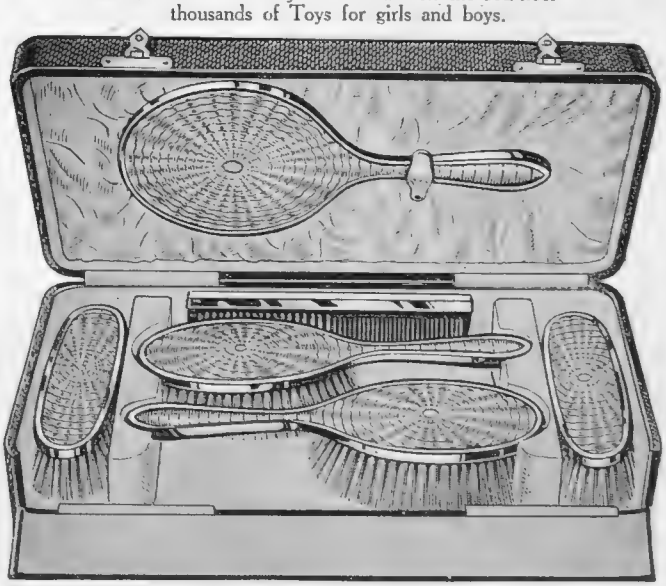

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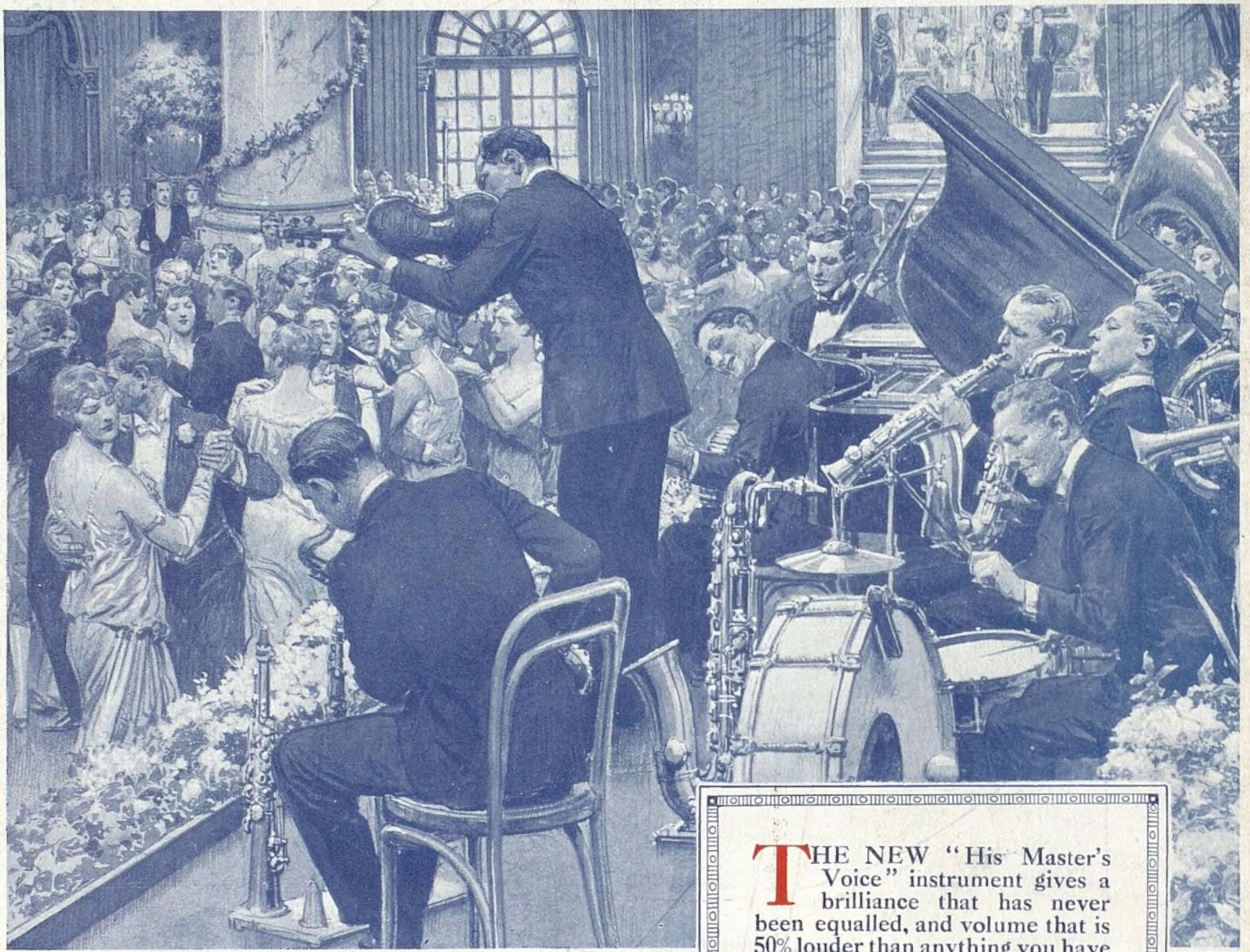

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